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Bates To Be Principal Evangelistic Preacher

Dr. Carl E. Bates, native Mississippian, and pastor First Church, Amarillo, Texas, will be the principal preacher for the State Evangelistic Conference scheduled for Jan. 24-26, it has been announced by Dr. C. E. Wilbanks, state director of evangelism.

The popular speaker will bring five messages during the conference, to begin Monday night and close Wednesday at noon.

Other out-of-state personalities to appear will include Dr. C. E. Autrey and Dr. E. Powell Lee, associates in the Department of Evangelism, Home Mission Board, Dallas.

"Christ Is The Answer" will be the theme of the Conference, to be held at Jackson's First Church, Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins, pastor.

Pre-Conference activities will

Home Board Will Seek To Increase Loan Fund

The recommendations of a special committee on church loans was voted by the Home Mission Board in its recent annual meeting. The purpose of the committee was to discover ways and means of increasing corpus of church loan funds. It was voted:

1. That we make an immediate effort to increase the Loan Funds of the Home Mission Board from the present \$3,200,000 to \$10,000,000, exclusive of money borrowed by the Board for such purposes.

2. That we include in this effort to raise additional funds a goal of \$1,000,000, in addition to the money raised for church loans, to be used for the purchase of suitable sites for new churches.

(a) Said sites to be purchased only with the approval of the state secretary and or the associational or City Mission Boards.

(b) Title of sites purchased to be held by the Home Mission Board until a church organization is in a position to purchase such property and votes to do so.

A number of other recommendations were made setting forth the conditions for the use of all the money received for the Church Building Loan Fund. It was voted that a capable man be put on the field to solicit gifts

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include registration and planning meetings for conference leaders, and chairman of evangelism and church enlistment, scheduled for Monday afternoon.

Directing the music will be Reid Moore, minister of music of the host church, with W. C. Morgan, state music secretary at the piano and Miss Hazel Chisholm, of the host church, at the organ.

Rev. F. V. McPartridge, pastor Springfield Church, Scott County, will be the devotional leader for the conference.

Several hundred pastors and other church and associational leaders from every section of the state are expected to attend.

The program is prepared to be of utmost assistance in preparation for the 1955 evangelistic Crusades, scheduled for this spring.

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Second Seminar Set For Feb. 14-18

The second annual Pastor's Seminar sponsored by the First Church of Jackson will be held Feb. 14-18, it has been announced by Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins, pastor.

Three new faces, all outstanding Southern Baptist leaders, will be seen this year. They are:

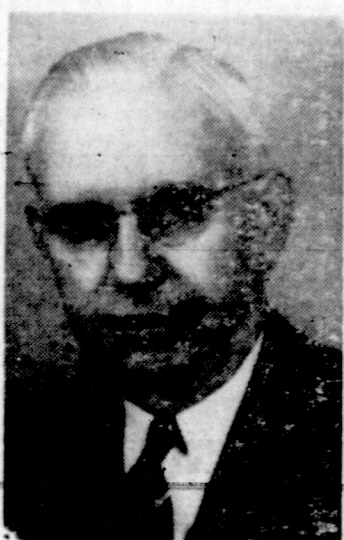
Dr. Robert A. Baker, professor of Church History, Southwestern Seminary, who will discuss "Contemporary American Baptist Life;" Dr. F. F. Brown, former pastor First Church, Knoxville, who will preach each evening and lead the lecture and forum hour, and Dr. Frank Stagg, professor of New Testament Interpretation, New Orleans Seminary, who will bring the New Testament lectures on Corinthians.

The seminar is open to all Mississippi Baptist pastors and other interested persons, and there is no charge. Each one attending is expected to make his own plans for entertainment.

Classes will be held three times daily, morning, afternoon and evening, beginning Monday morning at 9 o'clock.

Those desiring to attend are urged to write for reservations to Dr. Hudgins.

TRIPP TO SPEAK



Dr. Frank Tripp, executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Hospitals, New Orleans, will speak Thursday, Jan. 13, at the dinner rally in Jackson launching the general solicitation phase of the campaign for the funds for the Baptist Hospital construction program.

SBC MISSION GIFTS OVER \$800,000 IN DECEMBER

NASHVILLE, Tenn. —(BP)— Mission gifts to Southern Baptist causes through the Cooperative Program for the month of December total \$848,514, Porter Routh, executive secretary-treasurer of the Southern Baptist Convention's Executive Committee, announced. This brings the total for the year to a record high of \$10,739,497, the largest amount Southern Baptists have ever given to the Cooperative Program.

The year's total in Cooperative Program receipts was 10.91 per cent higher, or \$1,056,136 than the 1953 total of \$9,683,360, Routh said.

Designated gifts received for the month amounted to \$106,227, bringing the year's total in designated contributions to \$6,155,876. This figure is 8.46 per cent, or \$480,094 higher than the same period last year.

Total gifts for all Southern

Baptist causes including Cooperative Program and Designated, received came to \$934,742 making the total for the year \$16,895,373. This is the largest amount ever contributed to Southern Baptist causes. This figure shows an increase of \$1,536,230 or 10 per cent over 1953's grand total of \$15,359,142.

Increase in gifts for 1954 over 1953 was seen in every state in the Southern Baptist Convention even in areas of hard droughts, except Virginia. An increase of 10.91 per cent in Cooperative Program receipts and 10 per cent increase in all total receipts was shown for the year, Routh said.

Total Advance Program gifts for the year was \$1,889,497, an increase of \$398,136 over 1953's figure of \$1,491,360. Of this amount of Advance Program receipts \$1,297,123 went to the Foreign Mission Board and \$432,374 to the Home Mission Board. Carver School of Missions and Social Work, Louisville, Ky., received \$160,000 of the Advance Program receipts.

Of the total receipts for 1954 the Foreign Mission Board received \$9,439,491 or 53.87 per cent. The Home Mission Board received \$2,966,247 or 17.56 per cent.

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Recreation Service Assistant Named

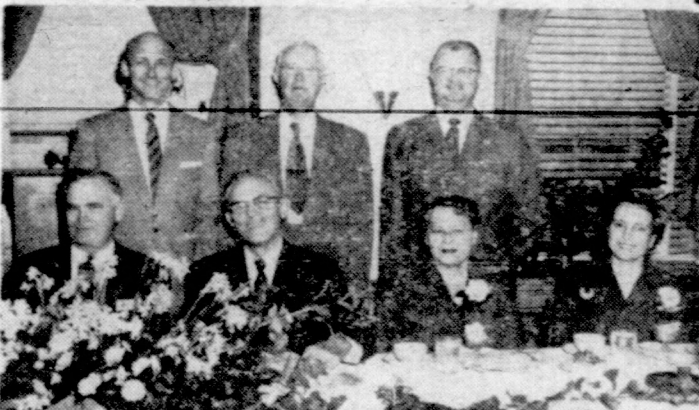
NASHVILLE, Tenn. —(BSSB) Miss Adelle Carlson* has been named assistant in the Church Recreation Service of the Baptist Sunday School Board. She was former director of youth activities, First Church, Salisbury, N. C.

A native of Alabama, Miss Carlson, a graduate of Bessie Tift College, holds a M.R.E. degree from Southwestern Seminary.

She has served as a conference leader at Ridgecrest and Glorieta Baptist assemblies during church recreation week, and as recreation director at state assemblies in North Carolina and Maryland. She was the recreation workshop leader in the South Carolina state Sunday School clinic for two years.

Mrs. Agnes Duran Pylant, secretary of the church recreation service of the Board, said that Miss Carlson will fill field engagements and serve as recreation leader at conferences and assemblies.

Foundation Trustees Hold Meeting



Special World Mission Committee Named

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — (BP) — A special advisory committee on promotion to make plans for the world mission year was appointed at the recent semi-annual meeting of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Members are: J. N. Barnette, J. E. Lambdin, and W. L. Howse, all of the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville; Miss Alma Hunt, Woman's Missionary Union, Birmingham, Ala.; George W. Schroeder, Brotherhood Commission, Memphis, Tenn.; Frank K. Means, Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, Va.; G. Frank Garrison, Home Mission Board, Atlanta, Ga.; and Ernest Loessner, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky.

The Board of Trustees of the Mississippi Baptist Foundation held their annual luncheon meeting on Thursday of last week in Jackson.

Along with the Board members were their wives, the college presidents and their wives and several officers of the Convention and their wives.

The cameraman caught several at the speakers' table. Left to right; standing, Rev. Lowrey Compere, Newton, new president of Clarke College, Will W. Whittington, Foundation board president, Dr. Chester Quarles, convention's executive secretary; seated, same order, Morris M. Townsend, executive vice president Aye Houghton Funds, New York, principal speaker, Dr. Harry Lee Spencer, Foundation secretary, Mrs. Spencer, and Mrs. Quarles.

Home Board . . .

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toward obtaining available funds. It was recommended that the Executive Committee and all convention-wide agencies and all state conventions be encouraged to give every possible assistance to the Home Mission Board in its effort to secure annuities, wills, bequests, and special gifts designated for Church Building Loan or Church Site Loan purposes, provided that all such solicitation is carried on in conformity with the convention's business and financial plan. A request is to go to the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention to appoint a committee of three to work with a committee of the Home Mission Board in recommending ways and means of raising the funds required to imple-

Dr. Tripp To Speak At Rally For Baptist Hospital Drive

Dr. Frank Tripp, executive secretary-treasurer of Southern Baptist hospitals, New Orleans, La., will be principal speaker at the dinner rally in Jackson Thursday, January 13, which launches the public solicitation phase of the Hinds county-Jackson division of the Baptist Hospital Constitution Fund campaign for \$1,000,000.

Dr. Tripp, long-time Southern Baptist convention leader, hospital authority and civic and community leader, will address

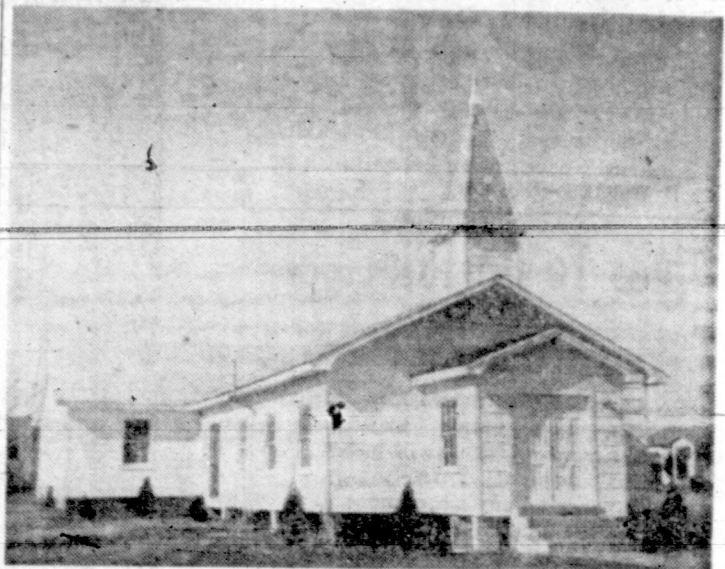
ment this program; the joint committee's report to be prepared and published at least six weeks prior to presentation.

some 700 Jackson and Hinds county campaign workers at a dinner meeting at the Heidelberg hotel.

The Baptist leader is the man credited with "getting the Southern Baptists out of debt." He organized and directed the "100,000 Club." The "club" was composed of Baptists who contributed \$1 monthly above their regular church pledges, until Southern Baptists were out of the red.

As a Southern Baptist convention leader he served as a member of the Home Mission board; as president and executive committee member of the convention; and as first vice-president.

Magnolia Park Church Constituted



Dr. Tripp served as consultant in the establishment of the Baptist Memorial hospital, San Antonio, Texas, and of the Baptist hospital, Jacksonville, Fla.

A former president of the New Orleans, Hospital council, and president of the Southwide Baptist Hospital association, Dr. Tripp is a member of the executive committee of the Louisiana Hospital Association.

From May 1, 1947, to July 1, 1953, Dr. Tripp was superintendent of the Southern Baptist hospital, New Orleans. Since the latter date he has served as executive secretary and general superintendent of Southern Baptist hospitals.

Dr. Tripp has done outstanding work in community and civic programs in Missouri, Louisiana, and Alabama. The City of New Orleans awarded the Baptist leader its "Certificate of Merit" for outstanding community services.

A total of \$1,000,000 is being sought to complete new construction and to modernize old, at the Baptist hospital. Of this amount, a total of \$500,000 is asked in Jackson and Hinds county, and a like amount in state-wide Baptist churches.

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THE WINDOW OF HEAVEN, a novel by Elise Fraser (Van Kampen Press, Inc., Wheaton, Illinois, \$2.50) is a story of events that grip the interest of the reader from start to finish. Not only is it a fast-moving, vividly descriptive, convincing story, but it also will be a help to soul-winners, as the characters in the story are constantly using every opportunity to win business associates, friends, and relatives to Christ as their Saviour. The author has done a good job in portraying each character. Tragedy struck the life of wealthy Nina Fothergill and her pampered daughter. They found refuge in the warmly hospitable home of Jonathan Bradford and his sister Prue. Everyone had expected Jon to marry the attractive Gail Gregory, but he seemed strangely blind to her until Alan Griffith appeared on the scene. Then it was too late. Jon's Christian life and testimony won Nina

Sunday afternoon, January 2, the Van Winkle Mission was constituted as the Magnolia Park Church with 124 charter members. Officers elected were: Rev. C. R. Maples, pastor; J. S. Gipson, Ray Chambliss, E. A. Morris, deacons; J. S. Gipson and E. A. Morris, trustees. Mrs. Fannie Lynch was elected clerk.

A budget of \$5,331 was adopted; also the rotating system of deacons. The church property, valued at \$16,000, includes a parsonage; an educational unit of ten rooms, pastor's study, kitchen and nursery; and a light-green sanctuary, equipped with 135 opera chairs. The church grounds provide room for expansion. Twenty-five shrubs have recently been planted on the grounds.

A soul-winning mission band has been organized. The Sunday School has 130 members and the Training Union, 132. The church is in the process of completing other organizations.

Magnolia Park Church was constituted after having been a mission of the Van Winkle Church for two and one-half years. Following a tent revival, meetings were held in homes in the community until a house was purchased and remodeling began. The mission band of the Van Winkle Church directed its activities until the constitution. Rev. W. A. Hollingsworth was the first pastor of the mission. He was succeeded by the present pastor, Rev. C. R. Maples, who has served the church since July 1.

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A home life study tour in connection with the 1955 Jubilee Baptist World Congress will be conducted by Joe W. Burton, editor of *Home Life*, Baptist Sunday School Board. The five weeks trip by air tentatively includes Spain, Egypt, Palestine, Greece, Italy, Paris, and London.

Fothergill to the Lord, but he could not win her for himself. Through trial, sorrow, and disappointments, these young people demonstrate the adequacy of Christ to meet every need. Order from the Baptist Book Store or the publisher.



WILL YOU
LET
THEIR HANDS
REMAIN EMPTY



EMPTY HANDS — Billions of them — must have the Word of God!

Only 10% of the world's 2½ billion people possess any portion of the Bible. The other 90% still wait!

The American Bible Society provides the Bible in many languages, without profit, usually below cost, for worldwide mission work.

Southern Baptist missionaries on many fields depend on the Bible Society for Scriptures they need in their work — and the Bible Society depends on your gifts.

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SUNDAY, JANUARY 23

How much did your own Bible cost? \$1.00 — \$2.00 — \$5.00 — or more?
Will you give at least that much, this year, to place Bibles in the hands of people who cannot have the Word of God unless you help!

Please send contributions marked "for the American Bible Society" to
DR. CHESTER L. QUARLES, Executive Secretary

MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST CONVENTION

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Jackson, Mississippi

January 27 Is Bible Society Day

Sunday, January 27, has been designated by the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board as American Bible Society day. On that Sunday, all Mississippi Baptist churches are urged to take an offering for the work of the American Bible Society.

The American Bible Society, a missionary non-profit organization, supported by gifts, publishes the Scriptures and distributes them without profit and usually below cost for use in mission work around the world.

For the blind, it supplies the Scriptures at a small fraction of the cost, in Braille and other raised letter systems; also on "Talking Book" records.

Southern Baptists recognize the American Bible Society as an essential part of their worldwide mission program.

If the people of the world are to know Christ—the one hope of men and nations—they must have the Bible. It is the one primary source of knowledge of Him. The Society is trying to get the Bible into the hands of every person.

We urge every pastor every Sunday School superintendent, every W. M. U. president, every Brotherhood president, every Training Union president to see that his church takes an offering, whether or not everyone gives. EVERYONE should be given an opportunity.

If Sunday, January 27, is not a convenient Sunday, take the offering when most suitable to your local situation.

Offerings should be sent to Baptist Convention Board, P. O. Box 530, Jackson, Miss.

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A Question And An Answer

The following question has been submitted to us:

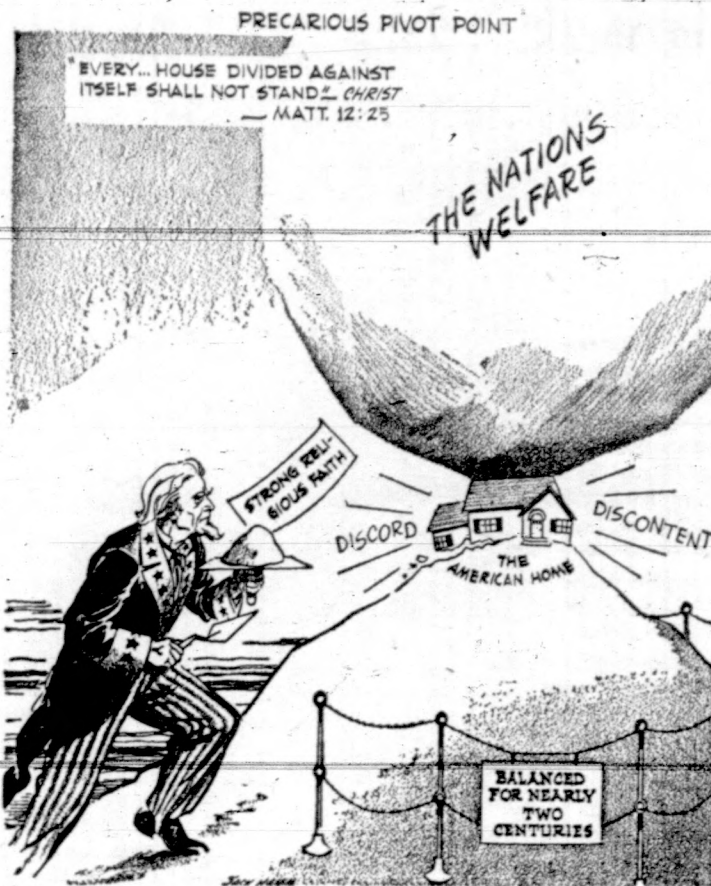
What do you think of church suppers and bazaars as a means of raising money for the Lord's work? Our answer: Nothing.

Nowhere in the Book do we read where such plans were used. The only scriptural kind of giving that we know about is tithes and offerings. We do not suggest that suppers and bazaars are sinful, but we do think tithes and offerings are the proper plan, and we do know that bazaars and suppers are a waste of time.

The average affair of that kind requires a lot of running around and a lot of work and the net results amounts to a very little per hour per person. In other words, the people involved could make a cash offering and save themselves a lot of work and worry and would be better off in the long run.

Often merchants are solicited for gifts to be used in such affairs. This cheapens the church and leaves a bad taste in the merchants' mouth.

We never have found any plan that beats the scriptural plan as described in Malachi 3:10: "Bring ye all the tithes into the store house that there may be meat in mine house."



We Join The Methodists

According to Religious News Service, Minnesota Methodists have protested the appointment of a liquor industry executive as administrative assistant to Vice-President Richard Nixon. The Methodists are not alone. Several other groups have expressed their opposition to this action. The Baptist Record wants to be classed with those who feel that such an appointment should not be made.

The appointment to which they and we are opposed is that of Robert L. King, Vice-president and General Manager of the Southern Comfort DISTILLERY. We have too many of the liquor crowd running our government now without adding another.

You can imagine the kind of treatment that any temperance or anti-liquor measure would receive at the hands of Mr. King.

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We Need More WGRC's

Radio station WGRC of Louisville, Kentucky, which carries many religious programs, permits no advertising of alcoholic beverages.

Mr. Charles L. Harris, Vice-President and General Manager of the station, said, "It was just not consistent to carry beer and wine advertisements along with the religious programs."

The Baptist associational paper in Louisville had this to say concerning station WGRC.

"You can listen to WGRC any time, and permit your children to listen to any of its programs, without worrying about being embarrassed in the presence of friends, or at any time being harassed by the obnoxious beer-

guzzling 'club'."

We want to join the many thousands of Christians in and around Louisville in congratulating Mr. Harris and those associated with him in the decision reached.

This is another instance proving that you do not have to sell beer or to advertise it to make a living. We recall a young man who started a hamburger stand in a south Mississippi town and vowed that he would not sell beer. The prophets of doom told him that he would be broke in 30 days. Today he is a rich man.

We need more stations like WGRC.

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A Final Reminder

On several occasions in the past we have called attention of churches to the fact that it would pay big dividends to send their pastor to the Baptist World Alliance which meets in London in July, 1955.

Remember that this is not just another place to go. Nor is it necessary just to honor the pastor. The reason for sending the pastor is to provide him with information and inspiration that he probably will not get any other place.

The same reason that causes churches to send the pastor to district associations, the State Convention and the Southern Baptist Convention, is applicable to the Baptist World Alliance.

Having attended three Baptist World Alliance meetings we feel that we were greatly helped, our vision broadened, as well as our sympathy. No pastor will ever be the same after he takes part in this world-wide fellowship.

If no provision was made in your budget, let some interested people or other members pass the word around and soon you will have the

money. If you can, include his wife also. She needs it and deserves it.

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Our Readers Write

PARKVIEW CHURCH EXPRESSES REGRET AT LOSING PASTOR

Expressing their regret over the resignation of their pastor, Rev. Wm. Lowrey Compere, who became president of Clarke Memorial College, Parkview Church, Greenville read the following letter, slightly condensed on the last Sunday (Jan. 2) of his pastorate:

Dear Brother, Compere:

You have watered where others have planted, you have planted where others shall water; all to the glory of God who gives the increase. This seems to have been the emphasis during the sixteen months you and Mrs. Compere have so faithfully and efficiently led us here in Parkview Baptist Church.

You have guided us to the threshold of a great era. Never in its history has the future seemed so bright.

Your messages have warmed our hearts. Your devotion to our Lord has inspired us to nobler living and your amiable disposition has made a great contribution to the development of a deeper love among the members and for others.

Selfishly we regret we may no longer claim you as pastor, yet we are delighted that God has opened the door to greater and broader fields where your influence and opportunities are less circumscribed.

We solicit your prayers for our continued progress and assure you of our keen interest in and our prayers for your work as the Master leads you and Mrs. Compere in greater paths of usefulness as the years go by.

Sincerely,

PARKVIEW BAPTIST CHURCH

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Dear Editor:

Your paper is a great blessing to me. I look forward to it each week.

I strayed off from Mississippi to Louisiana in the long ago (1924). It is a great joy to see and read the marvelous progress Mississippi Baptists have made the past thirty years.

Blessings on you.

A. T. "Tom" Mitchell

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Washington Gets Text Of Spanish Agreement; Approval Expected

By Religious News Service
WASHINGTON, D. C. — The official text of a proposed agreement between the United States Air Force and the Spanish government on the activities of American chaplains in Spain was received here for study.

Despite mounting Protestant criticism over restrictions on inter-marriage embodied in the agreement, it appeared likely that the pact ultimately would be approved by the Defense and State Departments.

A government spokesman pointed out that marriage is governed by the domestic law of the country, state or province where the ceremony is performed.

In Spain, Roman Catholic canon law is officially recognized in civil law. Canon law requires a Church dispensation for the marriage of a baptized Catholic and a non-Catholic and the non-Catholic must sign a premarital agreement to rear all children of the union as Catholics.

Thus, American Protestant chaplains would be authorized to officiate at weddings only when both parties were baptized Protestants. All other weddings would be performed by Catholic chaplains or Spanish priests un-

der conditions laid down by Catholic canon law.

The spokesman said problems regarding the right of American chaplains to officiate at weddings have been solved more easily in France and other NATO countries.

Laws of these countries require that a civil ceremony precede the religious rite. Once an American serviceman has fulfilled the civil obligations, he may have such religious rites as he and his bride desire. American chaplains have been given the privilege of conducting such rites when one of the parties is a member of the American armed forces.

Meanwhile, Protestant criticism of the pending agreement continued.

Two Southern Baptist Convention leaders urged members of their Church to protest to Secretary of State John Foster Dulles and other government officials.

Asking that Southern Baptists petition the State and Defense Departments to review the pact, Dr. Louis D. Newton, pastor of Druid Hills Baptist church, Atlanta, Ga., said: "We dare not surrender our constitutional birthright of religious freedom for any mess of pottage."

Dr. Alfred Carpenter, secre-

tary of the Convention's Chaplains Commission, declared:

"The demands of this proposed agreement are neither Christian nor democratic. An appeal to the Secretary of State would greatly help. Every Baptist should express his true conviction."

Dr. Glenn L. Archer, executive director of Protestants and other American United for Separation of Church and State, said his organization would actively oppose U. S. approval of the pact. Calling the proposed agreement "grossly offensive to the ideal of religious liberty," Dr. Archer said:

"We should insist that any United States military or civilian personnel stationed in Spain shall have the same right of free choice in marriage that they enjoy in the United States and that any 'premarital pacts' that are entered into by members of different faiths shall be entered of their own free will without any coercion either from U. S. military authorities or the government of Spain."

"To propose that an American's relations with his marriage partner be a matter of 'military regulations' is to propose a monstrous departure from the basic American heritage of freedom," he said.

**GIVE to your
American Bible Society**

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Counselor's Corner

BY DR. R. LOFTIN HUDSON



Dr. Hudson, pastor of Wornall Road Baptist Church, Kansas City, Missouri is author of "The Religion of a Mature Person" and "The Religion of a Sound Mind" for the Baptist Record.

MAD HUSBAND

Question: We are a family of five, my husband, my two daughters, my son and I. All of us are members of the church and work in the church. To everyone outside our home my husband is nice. But at home he is awful. He curses, nags, calls me filthy names. Now the children are taking up the habit.

We have been married eighteen years and he says that he is trying to run me off, that he is tired of supporting me. What can I do? Should I divorce him? Several times he has rededicated his life but he has not changed.

Answer: No, I would not divorce him. Not unless the situation becomes entirely unbearable.

You and your husband ought to sit down with some pastor or marriage counselor and see why he is so threatened by you. A

part of the trouble may be your fault. Do you try to dominate him? Do you make him feel guilty? Do you threaten his manhood? This man is suffering and needs help from some outsider who will help him to work through his hostility.

You would be surprised what goes on behind the closed doors of some so-called Christian homes. But it is wrong. If a man cannot be Christian at home he lacks something that a Christian ought to have.

However, I had rather have a husband who expresses his hostility through words than one who expresses it through drink, or immorality, or through coldness. At least, he is honest. He really hates you. Perhaps he is like the man who bragged that he had an even temper; he stayed mad all of the time.

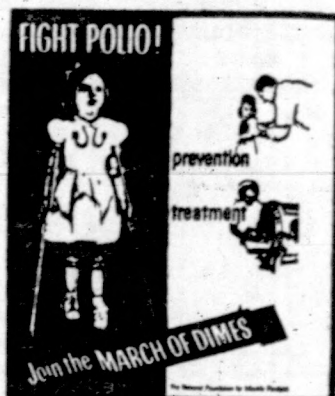
Love this man. Pray for him, like Christ said. Do not return his hate. You may win.

(Address all questions to Dr. Hudson, Wornall Road Baptist Church, Kansas City, Missouri.)

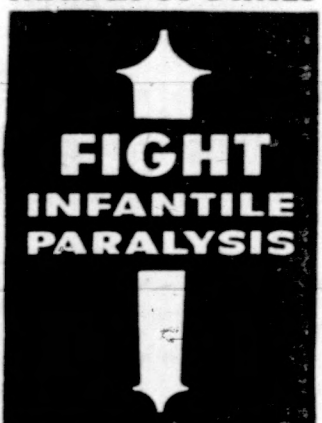
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JOEL AND THE SILVER TRUMPET is a story for boys and girls written by Henrietta Van Laar and illustrated by Betty Wind (Concordia Publishing House, St. Louis, Missouri, 50 cents). It is a story of how Joel comes to dedicate his musical talent to the Lord. Order from the Baptist Book Store or from the publisher.

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JANUARY 3-31



The National Foundation For Infantile Paralysis

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COMMUNITY MISSIONS DAY OF PRAYER AND PARTICIPATION

During the week of Jan. 17-21

This emphasis can be a distinct spiritual blessing to all who participate as well as those to whom they minister. Ask the president of your Missionary Society about plans for this—she has received the suggested plans and it is hoped that many will participate.

LOTTIE MOON OFFERING

Please check with your church treasurer and seek to get the funds in to the Convention Board by January 20th (even if you send a supplemental check) as we make a report in Birmingham on the 21st and Mississippi's receipts will be listed with all of the other states and presented to the Executive Committee. We would like for as much as possible of the offering to be remitted at that time as possible.

CORRECTION: These two WMS should have been listed as having contributed to the State Mission week of Prayer offering: Pine Grove, Clarke ----\$ 7.30
Endville, Pontotoc ----\$16.00

ALASKA NEWS

Sometime before Christmas we told you of the opportunities to help open the way for the gospel in Alaska in the sending of Christmas supplies for Valeria Sherrod and Dick Miller to distribute in the areas of Alaska. Both of these young people are Mississippi missionaries, Valeria serving in Anchorage and Dick in Kotzebue — the farthestmost mission station. Excerpts from Dick's letter of Dec. 29th will be of interest to many:

"Thank you to the WMU of Mississippi! You have brought much joy to the hearts of our people with your Christmas boxes of clothes, toys and candy.

I cannot possibly tell you how happy I was as I received each box. From the far corners of the state large and small churches remembered us. It was a special joy to get boxes from the small rural churches. Everything sent was most useful.

Yesterday I returned home after a brief trip to Kobuk and our mission there. One church had sent a box of wrapped toys directly to Kobuk. Our Eskimo leader there had distributed the gifts prior to my arrival. Mississippi was certainly a big word in the hearts of the people. And

they were so happy. I was happy to see interest in our work not shown previous by some people.

It will be impossible to correctly express my gratitude, but I do appreciate what Mississippi WMU has done for our Eskimo people. You surely have shared in the Spirit of our Lord."

(This personal word will be of interest to those of you that have been concerned about this 28 year old young man living alone in that far-off place)—
"Next Monday, Jan. 3rd, I hope to leave for my home in Myrtle. After a day or so at home I will go to Rotan, Texas, where I am to be married Jan. 28th."

—Dick Miller

WHITE CROSS SUPPLIES

A check for \$4,016.37 was sent to the Baptist Hospital in Barranquilla, Columbia. This was sent by the WMU's of the state as a White Cross gift. The following list indicates the splendid response in supplies:

281 Traycloths, 93 Towels, 79 Hand Towels, 506 Bath Cloths, 27 Kitchen Towels, 24 Diapers, 148 Sheets, 47 Crib Sheets, 206 Pillow Cases, 2 Pads, 11 Baby Bed Pads, 53 Blankets, 5 Crib Blankets, 26 Bed Spreads and 14 Crib Pads.

After many efforts by the Colombian missionaries it proved impossible to get these supplies to Colombia without paying very high duty. After investigation it was deemed wise to channel the supplies to our new Baptist Hospital in Mexico. After waiting about five years, Dr. Lamar Cole received his official permit to practice medicine in Mexico and now we can begin with a more progressive medical work. These supplies will help make that possible. We are grateful to Mississippi Moving and Storage Company for storing the large wooden box of supplies and moving it to Brownwood, Texas without cost to us.

On December 29th a letter from Mrs. Cole says:

"We have been very busy since we returned from the States but we would like for the Mississippi WMU to know that we were successful in passing the border with the box of supplies. Not only that but the man handling our shipment was able to pass them without duty.

"We are so proud of all the things for the hospital, they will really be such a help and will save us a great expense as they are more valuable here than in the United States."

Mrs. Lamar Cole,
Guadalajara, Mexico

Sheffield Accepts Oakland, Tillatoba



Rev. Charles Walton Sheffield has been called to the pastorates of Oakland and Tillatoba churches and will give half-time to each. He will begin the Oakland work on January 16, and has already assumed his duties in the Tillatoba pastorate.

While he was a student at Clarke College, he served as pastor of Pine Grove Church in Clarke County and New Black Jack Church in Neshoba County. After he graduates from Mississippi College in June he and his wife, with their five year old daughter, will move into the Oakland pastorate. He has already studied for one semester at the New Orleans Seminary.

Mr. Sheffield is a native of South Carolina and the son of a minister, Rev. J. P. Sheffield, who serves the First Church, Madison, Ga.

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CALENDAR OF PRAYER

January 17—A. H. Miller, Business Manager, Clarke College, Newton; W. B. McGuffee, professor, Mississippi College.

January 18 — Wyatt Measells, Scott Associational Training Union Director; Mrs. B. F. Mott, Newton, District 6 WMU Chairman.

January 19—S. B. Minyard, Montgomery Associational Sunday School Superintendent; Rev. T. E. Fant, Jones Co. Convention Board member.

January 20—Mrs. W. G. McGill, New Albany, Blue Mountain College trustee.

January 21—William K. Self, Marks, Baptist Memorial Hospital trustee; W. H. Smith, Brookhaven, Baptist Orphanage trustee.

January 22 — Rev. M. Glenn Smith, Alcorn Co. Convention Board member; J. P. Coleman, Jackson, Mississippi College trustee.

January 23 — D. C. Simmons, Jackson, Baptist Hospital trustee.

My Favorite Bible Verse

By W. M. Averett, Richton

"A new heart also will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you; and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh, and I will give you an heart of flesh." (Ezekiel 36:26, King James Version)

Readers are invited to send their favorite Bible verse. The Baptist Record plans to publish one each week. When sending your favorite verse address as follows: The Baptist Record, P. O. Box 530, Jackson, Mississippi.

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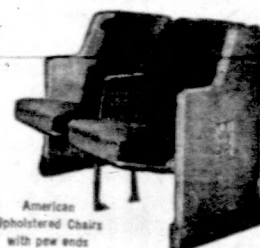
N. C. Baptists Gain 23,295 Members

RALEIGH, N. C. — (BP) — North Carolina Baptists gained thirty-four churches and 23,295 members in 1954 over the 1953 total, L. L. Morgan, statistical secretary of the North Carolina Baptist State Convention, reported.

Churches now number 3,141 and have a total membership of 781,777. Last year there were 3,107 churches with 759,482 members.

Morgan reported that Sunday school enrollment passed 700,000 for the first time in history. Total enrolment in the 3,160 Sunday schools, a gain of thirty schools over 1953—was 703,853.

Per capita gifts for all purposes in 1954 was \$41.65 compared to \$38.45 in 1953.



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Jackson Ave. Church Constituted Jan. 2

Sunday Jan. 2, the Jackson Avenue Baptist Chapel, a mission chapel of the Pascagoula First Church, was constituted into the Jackson Avenue Baptist Church. Letters were granted to 58 members of the First Church who have already been working and worshipping at the chapel. These became the charter members of the new church.

The work at Jackson Avenue was begun as a mission point under the ministry of Dr. Charles L. McKay, former pastor of the First Church, and has continued under the leadership of Dr. T. J. Delaughter, present pastor. The land, consisting of ten lots, was donated by Mrs. A. W. Ezell for the purpose of building a house of worship. The buildings now consist of an adequate auditorium and educational plant of five large assembly rooms and space for about twenty-six class rooms.

The council for the examination of those desiring to form the new church was composed of representatives from eight churches in the Jackson County Association. Dr. T. J. Delaughter was elected moderator for the meeting and the examination was conducted by Rev. W. P. Young, Associational Promotional Secretary. The sermon was brought by Dr. W. L. Stagg, Jr., Pastor of First Baptist Church, Moss Point.

Rev. A. L. Miles, a student at the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, was called as pastor of the new church.

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Celebrate Anniversary

Deacon and Mrs. John Tribble of the Wayside Church celebrated their golden wedding anniversary on December 5.

Mr. Tribble has been an active deacon of the Wayside Church for 30 years. Mrs. Tribble is also an active worker in the church.

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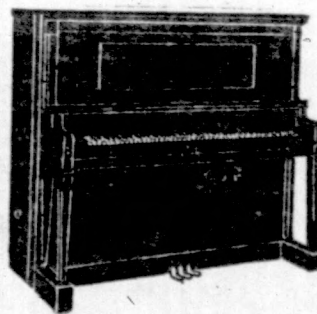
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Foundation Increases Payment To Wake Forest College

WINSTON-SALEM, N. C. — (BP) — The Z. Smith Reynolds Foundation has granted the request to increase its annual payment to Wake Forest College from \$350,000 to \$500,000, Harold W. Tribble, president, reported to the college's board of trustees meeting.

Tribble also announced that the foundation had approved — with two stipulations — another proposal that it give the college \$40,000 a year in perpetuity for each \$1,000,000 the North Carolina Baptist Convention provides for capital needs of the college above requirement of the Convention's nine-year program. The foundation agreed to the proposal but stipulated that it be effective up to \$120,000 a year in perpetuity or up to \$3,000,000 in convention contributions and also decided that the \$40,000 rider proposal would not be started until 1960 when the state con-

vention's present nine-year program ends.

The increase in annual payment to \$500,000 probably will become effective sometime next fall after the foundation has completed its payment to the college of a \$1,500,000 challenge gift donation.

The challenge gift proposal was one under which the late William Neal Reynolds and Mrs. Nancy Reynolds Bagley offered the college \$2,000,000 if other friends of the institution donated \$3,000,000. The campaign was completed last January.

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Minter City Mission Organized as Church

Minter City Mission has been organized as a church. The mission was under the leadership of Rev. Jimmie Hoffman, Clarke College student who is graduating this month.

After a few weeks of Sunday afternoon meetings, a revival was held, led by Rev. L. G. Camp, pastor of the Calvary Church, Batesville. Mr. Hoffman led the singing. The results of the meeting were 20 additions from the Lowland Chapel Church and 12 on profession of faith.

Already more than 100 people have been enrolled in the Sunday School and the church is looking forward to a bright future.

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Among recent visitors in the Baptist Building were Chandler Clover, Jackson; W. Wilson Turner, Jackson; Theron Roole, Dossville; Rev. D. O. Horne, Sumner; Rev. B. E. Padgett, Kosciusko; Charles A. Whaley, Gainesville, Mo.; Everett W. Miller, Ava, Mo.; Mr. and Mrs. Joe Abrams, III, Hollandale; Ray Chambless, Saxon; Rev. C. R. Maples, Jackson; Richard L. King, Jackson.

meat with fresh dog biscuit for the entree and dog candy for dessert. The dinner was arranged by Dr. Ralph Montanus, Association president, who is blind himself. "Dogs are only human," he said. "They enjoy appreciation as much as anyone and, as any blind man will tell you, his guide-dog deserves it. This seemed to us to be the time and the way to express it." Dr. Montanus and his wife, Bea, conduct a regular hour-and-a-half Sunday evening radio program called "That They Might See."

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NEW YORK (RNS) — Two hundred and fifty Seeing Eye dogs and their masters were guests of the Gospel Association for the Blind at its annual Thanksgiving Dinner for the sightless here. While their blind masters dined on turkey and other traditional foods, the dogs feasted on treats fully as delicious (at least, from the canine point of view). Their menus included whale meat cocktail for an appetizer, chunked horse

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Pocahontas Baptist Church of Hinds county held a "Student Night" service December 26th. Participants in the service are pictured, from left, Carrie Lynn Land, Clinton high school; William Brewer, Clinton high school; Rev. Joe Galle, pastor; Virginia Land, Mississippi College; Roy Ann Land, MSCW; and Tommy Winter, Flora high school. Each student gave a testimony to the help they receive in their lives and school work through answered prayer.

CHRISTIAN WOMEN PROTEST TRANSFER OF NARCOTIC DIV.

EVANSTON, Ill. — The president of the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union has written John Foster Dulles, Secretary of State, that the proposed transfer of the Narcotics Division of the United Nations to Geneva, Switzerland, will be a "kiss of death" for international narcotic controls and enable Red China to flood the world with opium.

Mrs. Glenn G. Hays appeals to Dulles as "a churchman and a humanitarian" to oppose the decision of the U. N.'s Third Committee to move the Division from its present headquarters in New York City, and branded the Committee's action as an "appeasement move" toward "opium producing China."

Mrs. Hays said the action just taken by the Committee is "not completely binding," and that it can be ignored by Secretary-General Dag Hammarskjöld, but that to date protests by American organizations fearing a revival of the opium traffic have been ignored.

Lowland Chapel in Leflore County ordained two deacons on December 26. They were H. A. Davis and R. E. Methven. Rev. L. E. Moon, pastor, brought the charge; Rev. H. C. Hollingsworth, Mt. Vernon, pastor, gave the charge to the church and Rev. Frank Childress preached the sermon.

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NASHVILLE, Tenn. — (BSSB) — More than 300 clinicians registered for the Convention-wide Sunday school clinic which began Jan. 8 and will extend through the 21, at the First Baptist Church, New Orleans, La. These registrants are from outside the New Orleans association and represent eighteen states in the Southern Baptist Convention. Nearly every church in New Orleans is participating in the clinic.

The climate of Europe is less friendly to the effective persuasion of the nations of the world to cooperate in reducing the traffic in narcotic drugs to medical and scientific purposes, than is that of the United States.

Mrs. Hays said that Chou-En-Lai protested to Atlee during the latter's visit against China being blamed for the illegal heroin being peddled to school children in the western world but that the Narcotics Division has containers of seized heroin marked with the trade stamps of Chinese heroin factories.

"May we urgently plead with you as a churchman and humanitarian to use the good offices of the State Department to protect American children and the children of other lands by exerting your influence with the Secretary-General (Dag Hammarskjöld) to persuade him to ignore this recommendation."

Mrs. Hays also wrote Vice-President Nixon asking him to "do all in his power" to block the transfer.

DALLAS, Tex. — (BR) — Frank C. Lauback, New York, N. Y., and Congressman Walter Judd have accepted invitations to speak at the World Missions Conference to be held in Fort Worth, Tex., March 21-23, 1955. Pastors and all church leaders are invited to attend the conference.

50, 40 & 25 Years Ago

50 YEARS AGO—

Mrs. W. R. Woods, Corresponding Secretary of the W. M. U. of Mississippi announces that Mrs. W. S. Smith of Meridian has been elected as superintendent of "Band work" for the state, meaning Sunbeam Band worker.

40 YEARS AGO—

The B. Y. P. U. of the First Church, Hattiesburg, reaches the A-1 standard of excellence under the leadership of its president, E. G. Hightower. They have set their goal to attain even a higher standard in the future.

25 YEARS AGO—

In the weekly report of Sunday school attendance for the previous Sunday, five Churches had reported: Jackson: First Church 676, Calvary 786, Griffith Mem. 300, Parkway 165; Meridian: First Church 682.

Miss Margaret Lackey of the W. M. U. Department appeals to the societies of the state to stay out of the "rut" during the new year; and if they are in the "rut", to get out and stay out. She also urges that "new blood" be injected into the programs of the Circles. She warns of becoming too fond of the social side in the W. M. U. meetings.

The Baptist Record appreciates a copy of the minutes of the Pearl River Association which met in 98th annual session on October 7, 1954 at Oak Hill Church, Poplarville. The next session is to meet at Corinth Church on October 7, 1955. D. Wade Smith is the moderator. The minutes are attractively prepared and printed.

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HIGHLIGHTS OF THE SOUTHWIDE MUSIC PLANNING MEETING

On December 16-18, all State Secretaries of Music were called to Nashville for a general Planning Meeting. Below are some of the highlights of this meeting which will be of interest to everybody.

Brief reports from each state outlining the work of the various states were given. In studying these reports, we are delighted to state that Mississippi stands in the front ranks with our promotions. One outstanding item listed Mississippi as third in the entire Southern Baptist Convention in the number of awards issued. This is in our thinking, an outstanding record, since the two leading states are very large states. In other items, Mississippi ranked along with the top states.

Our Church Music Training Course is being greatly expanded. In not too distant future, many new books will be added to the course of study, such as books on hymnology, hymn stories, the Bible and Music, Music and the related arts, organ studies, and many other interesting areas of our music life.

We are happy to announce the standardization of the Local Church Music Department organization. This organization

appears in our new bulletin entitled, CHURCH MUSIC EDUCATION IN THE LOCAL CHURCH. All choir directors and music leaders will desire to secure copies of this important bulletin. It is available from our State Music Department in the Baptist Building. The pamphlet entitled, CHURCH MUSIC EDUCATION IN THE ASSOCIATION is available and lists the new organization plans for the associations throughout the state.

We believe you will be thrilled to know our standard of excellence for the Church Music Department is now available. Write for your copies and start working toward the standard. Most of the pamphlets are revised to meet the needs of the new organizational pamphlet, CHURCH MUSIC EDUCATION IN THE LOCAL CHURCH.

We are very happy to announce the CHURCH MUSICIAN is to be expanded to a 48 page magazine at no extra cost. This magazine is destined to be the nations leading church music magazine without exception.

SEPTEMBER IS CHURCH MUSIC MONTH is gaining ground rapidly in our entire Southern Baptist Convention. The Christmas Carol Sing, both on the church level and the association level, is gaining ground rapidly.

New Church Secretary



Miss Clarice Mooney, formerly Educational and Youth Director at Oak Grove Church, Meridian, will begin her duties as church secretary of First Church, Pascagoula, on January 10th.

Miss Mooney is a graduate of Clarke College and East Texas Baptist College, and holds the Master of Religious Education degree from Southwestern Baptist Seminary.

She succeeds Miss Mary Alice Ditsworth, who has become Educational and Youth Director of the same church. Joe Santo, Jr. who has been Minister of Music and Education, will become Minister of Music.

EVERY MAN IS HIS OWN PRIEST

By Rev. Nat G. Long

When Martin Luther declared that every man is his own priest, he announced the supreme principle of Protestantism.

As a priest in the Roman Catholic Church Luther engaged in many works to save his own soul. He read the Scriptures, prayed, observed the sacraments, went on pilgrimages, and underwent severe discipline. None of this brought salvation.

Finally, he had the good sense to cease striving to save himself. He began to meditate upon the love of God revealed in Christ. He threw himself with utter abandon upon God. He trusted not his own merits, but the grace of Christ. Into his heart came a sense of forgiveness, a profound peace, an unutterable joy. He had been saved not by the machinery of the church, not by his own good works, but by his faith in Christ.

Luther's personal experience ran counter to Roman Catholic belief. His church had insisted that salvation came to men through the sacraments, and that sacraments must be administered by ordained priests. This meant that without the priest there was no salvation. If a man needed forgiveness, he must go to a priest. If he wanted comfort in the midst of his sorrows, he must go to a priest. If he wanted

ed strength to meet death, he must send for a priest. Because some officials of a certain city offended the Pope, he ordered the priests to take away the sacraments from all the citizens.

This doctrine robbed the individual of his religious liberty. The church stood between him and salvation. Luther's experience of God's saving grace made all of this seem ridiculous. No priest had been necessary to mediate to him the transforming power of Christ.

Luther repudiated the Roman Catholic belief. He insisted that no human agency, not even the church, can stand between a man and his God. Every man can approach God himself. He needs no ecclesiastical machinery. Every man, by throwing himself with utter abandon upon God's grace, can find forgiveness, peace, power.

Luther thus wrested from a tyrannical church this principle of the priesthood of all believers. It is the very basis of the Protestant Reformation. It is the inspiration of democracy. It is the foundation stone of the Kingdom of God. It is the source of all our precious liberties.

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Our Primary workers in Mississippi will have the delightful privilege of having Mrs. Maynard Hadley of Oklahoma City to direct their conferences during our three Sunday School Conventions, in Pontotoc, Louisville and Laurel, February 22-24.

We are indeed glad to have this capable Primary leader come our way for these days. She will be most helpful to our people as she shares with them some of her valuable experiences in the promotion of Primary Sunday school work.

So, Primary workers in Mississippi, be sure to plan to attend one of these Conventions. Do not let this fine opportunity pass unused.

Mrs. L. J. Willis, of Nashville, Tenn., will lead the Junior Conferences in our three Mississippi Sunday School Conventions, February 22-24, in Pontotoc, Louisville and Laurel.

This splendid worker, who is a Junior Sunday school teacher in the First Baptist church of Nashville, will make a valuable contribution to our program for those three days. We are glad she is to help us.

We urge our Junior workers in the state to make certain they get the benefits of these conferences by attending one of these Conventions, and get in the conferences directed by Mrs. Willis.

MARK THE DATE

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We are grateful to the leaders of all these units for their good work.

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Calvary Church Has Rash As Its New Pastor

The Calvary Church in Cleveland has called Rev. H. C. Rash as pastor.

Mr. Rash comes to Cleveland from the pastorate at Parkdale, Ark. He is a native of Arkansas and has served pastorates there for eighteen years.

He received his college work at Tyler Commercial College, Tyler, Texas and at Arkansas A&M. Mrs. Rash is also a native of Arkansas. He began his work with the Calvary church on Dec. 26.

Congress' Prayer Room Is Now Ready For Use

WASHINGTON — For the first time in 167 years of congressional history, senators and House members this year will have a special, secluded room for quiet meditation.

Capitol architect George Stewart said the meditation room, authorized by Congress last year, is ready for use when as Congress meets for the new session.

The idea is to provide a completely private, quiet, restful spot — in the midst of, yet somehow removed from — the tensions and pressures of politics and legislative action.

An office just off the Capitol rotunda — halfway between the House and Senate — has been remodeled for this purpose. It is only about 17 feet square.

It will have a large blue and white stained glass window, lighted from behind. Workmen in California's 21st congressional district are volunteering labor in off hours to make the window.

The design will show a candle symbolizing light; a scroll representing the Sermon on the Mount; and an open book, symbolizing the Book of the Law.

The window will be put in place soon. The rest of the room has been completed.

A large plain oak altar stands in front of the window. A green carpet extends out from the altar. Restful chairs, spaced along the soft blue walls, will be separated by small wood screens for more complete privacy. A table near the entrance will hold Bibles, prayer books, and other reading materials.

Rep. Brooks Hays (D-Ark.), one of the sponsors of a resolution providing for the room, said it stemmed from a comment by Sen. Monroney (D-Okla.), who suggested it would be a good thing to have a room at the Capitol "where the mood of prayer could be encouraged."

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Nine leaders from the Carroll-Montgomery Association attended the Sunday School Conference on Adult Education held in Atlanta, December 29 and 30. They were: Rev. Travis Simmons, pastor, Lodi Church; Rev. Lloyd Metts, pastor, Liberty in Carroll County; Rev. Jesse McMillan, pastor of Bethsaida, Montgomery County; Rev. Landrum Salley, pastor of Kilmichael; Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Brown, Sunday School Superintendent of Kilmichael; John Aldridge, adult teacher of Winona; and the associational missionary and wife, Rev. and Mrs. Gordon Sather.

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NASHVILLE, Tenn.—(BSSB)—Rev. Allen B. Comish, pastor, First Baptist Church, Jonesboro, Ga., has been named superintendent of Intermediate Sunday School Work, at the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville. Comish will assume his duties Jan. 15. He succeeds Dr. E. Stanley

Religious Census Is A Must In Simultaneous Revivals

By Rev. C. E. Wilbanks
Director of Evangelism

To expect the greatest harvest during our Simultaneous revivals this spring, without taking a religious census, is like expecting an abundant yield without seed sowing. It is like cutting the trees from a forest, when we do not know the kind of trees to be cut. It is like gathering corn from a field, when we do not know where the field is. We must know who these people are and where they are in order to reach them for Christ. Therefore the religious census is a must in our preparation for the simultaneous revival crusades. The Census Chairman in each Association needs to be working intensely from now henceforth in order to get the preparation made for taking the census. All the pastors should be greatly

concerned that a census is taken in their church fields. To assume that we know all the people, and that we do not need a census is to assign to hell the lost because of our presumptiveness. Get ready for the census and then take it. The date for the census in the tropical zone is **January 30th**. The date for the central zone which includes Northern Mississippi is **February 20th**.

Here are some suggestions which came out of the conference of all Secretaries in the field of Evangelism, in their meeting in Nashville December 13-16. We hasten them along to you so that you might hustle out and get that census taken.

HELP TO GUARANTEE A GOOD REVIVAL THROUGH A GOOD CENSUS.

1. "All you can see is yours" The practical way to warm the hearts of Christian people is to lead them to take a thorough census.

2. The way to win the lost is first to find them. The people are out there — millions of them unenlisted! And a share of them are in your community to be found and won. It is easy to find them, but they must be found!

When you find a prospect, you have taken the first long step in enlisting him for Bible study.

When you find a prospect, you are on the way to winning him to Christ.

When you find a prospect, you

can make intelligent preparation for reaching him.

When you find a prospect, you can pray with more purpose.

When you find a prospect, you give more people a chance to help enlist him.

When you find a prospect, you open the way for love's conquest.

3. Steps in planning for the census.

(1) Secure a census director. Type leader who would head up a Civic drive of great importance.

(2) Plan to take the census well in advance of the revival—at least one month.

(3) Preach on the values and purposes of the census to prepare the hearts of the people.

(4) Order census supplies from your Book Store. Census Cards, Form 675 (Five for every family in the territory).

Census Assignment Envelope, Form 680 (one for each census taker).

Rubber bands, clips, and pencils.

(5) Decide on boundaries for the church census.

(6) Divide the community into territories. Label the territories on a master map, indicating the number of homes in each block or territory.

(7) Enlist a census taker for each territory — twenty-five per cent more than you think you need.

(8) Prepare census takers' assignment envelopes, Form 680. Sketch the territory, identify streets, indicate number of houses, put in five cards for each family.

(9) Arrange territories in order of importance.

(10) Use census assignment receipts — attach receipt card to each envelope for the census taker to turn in.

(11) Arrange transportation.

(12) Provide Nurseries.

(13) Contact census takers before Sunday.

(14) Recognize census takers in the Sunday morning service.

(15) Serve Lunch.

(16) Assign the census takers.

(17) Give careful instructions.

(18) Receive receipts from census takers.

(19) Check in the census takers.

(20) Follow up during the week all not at home.

4. Process the census cards.

(1) Keep all cards of those enrolled in your Sunday school. Resident church members not enrolled in Sunday school. All Baptist members outside the city or community. All those who express a Baptist preference. All those not members elsewhere expressing no denominational preference.

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JOURNAL REACHES MILESTONE

By George Schroeder

This issue of the JOURNAL reaches a milestone in the history of the publication. For the first time it surpasses the 100,000 mark in quarterly circulation. Such distribution enables it to be numbered among the most widely circulated publications of Southern Baptists. Needless to say, those charged with the responsibility of producing the JOURNAL are thrilled and encouraged with the growth in circulation this major Brotherhood publication has witnessed during the past several years.

However, when one compares the number of men enrolled in church Brotherhoods with the circulation of the JOURNAL, he is made to realize that the distribution figure is far too low. We now have over 265,000 men enrolled in Brotherhoods. Circulation of the JOURNAL, if it would be filling the purposes for which it is published, should coincide exactly with the enrollment. If the publication is produced for one Brotherhood member, it is produced for all of them. If the JOURNAL is helpful to any Brotherhood, it should be helpful to all the organizations. Such reasoning is just common sense.

Now that we have passed 100,000 in the circulation of the JOURNAL, let's set our sights on the 150,000 mark. Such a goal should not be too hard to attain, and soon. We ask only that you make this publication available to all the men of your Brotherhood if you would do it in your organization, and I did

it in mine, and he did it in his, then our next circulation goal would be reached. We can do it. We should do it. Really, our men need the information that is contained in the JOURNAL. It is prepared especially for them.

The January-February-March issue of the JOURNAL will contain articles on subjects written by outstanding personalities. They are:

- "Baptist World Alliance" Arnold T. Ohrn
- "Branch Sunday Schools" A. V. Washburn
- "Eternal Gifts Through Our Baptist Foundations" Arthur Jackson
- "Prayer—Key To Evangelistic Crusades" J. A. Pennington
- "The West Holds Possibilities Unlimited" S. G. Posey
- "The Atonement" James W. Middleton
- "Successful Brotherhoods Use Men In Church-Centered Activities" R. J. Robinson
- "World Missions—A Cooperative Task" Porter Routh
- "A Challenge To Our Baptist Seminaries" Duke K. McCall
- "Brotherhood Activities For 1955" David T. Mashburn
- "Baptist Advances In Cuba" Herbert Caudill
- "Great Commission—A Man-Sized Job" Eugene Siler
- "Dedicated Vocation—An Obligation of Every Christian Layman" S. B. Platt.

Men Of Distinction

Being of a kindly disposition and always wanting to be helpful, we offer the facts below to the liquor industry in an effort to aid them in giving a true picture of the fact that liquor does make "Men of Distinction."

Our readers are familiar with the enticing advertisements that they publish. These ads carry the implication that liquor has a part in making men of distinction. The facts cited below prove that they do make "Men of Distinction," but not the kind the liquor crowd would have you believe. Here's the story:

Two men are in custody after admitting to Highway Patrolmen they took \$32,000 in a daring hold-up of a bank in Flowood, Mississippi, to climax an all night drinking spree.

Patrolmen Jack Anderson and Merrill Pickering, who made the arrest, said the men told them they robbed the Flowood bank at the climax of a drinking spree which began in Mobile.

Dent, told patrolmen he met

A light airplane, a gift of the Holloway Street Baptist church, Durham, N. C., with the help of several other churches in North Carolina, one in South Carolina, and one in Texas, was presented to the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board at a special program at the Raleigh - Durham Airport on Sunday afternoon, December 19. The plane, purchased at a cost of around \$5,000, will be placed at the disposal of John S. Oliver, Southern Baptist missionary to the state of Piaui, Brazil. With the new plane, the Foreign Mission Board now has five, all being used to conquer distances in the interior of Brazil.

Westbrook in a bar in Mobile Tuesday night. Westbrook bought him a beer, Dent said, and later they purchased a "fifth" of whiskey. Westbrook had a bus ticket to Jackson, according to Dent, but after several drinks Dent offered to take him in the Cadillac he bought several months ago in Kentucky.

Truly liquor does make men of distinction.

Actions Speaker

Louder . . .

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Russia is attempting to convince the free world that religious freedom prevails in the USSR while carrying on an anti-religious campaign at home, the United States Information Agency charged here.

Two Soviet radio broadcasts, monitored by the Voice of America, were cited as the latest evidence of Soviet "double-talk" on religion.

The Agency quoted from a Moscow Radio program in Italian for out-of-country consumption which declared "it is only natural in the USSR that religion exercised its customary functions." The broadcast led listeners to believe that Orthodox, Roman Catholics, Protestants, Jews, and Moslems were permitted to practice their religion freely.

At the same time, in another program sent out by a Sakhalin station for home consumption, the agency said there was an appeal for "liquidation of religious beliefs."

"We possess," this broadcast said, "great possibilities for conducting militant, aggressive, scientific-atheistic propaganda."

"Of course the struggle against religious ideology must be skillfully done because primitive forms of anti-religious propaganda can only insult the religious feelings of believers."

"The interests of Communist construction demand the most rapid liquidation of the remnants of capitalism (religious beliefs) in the consciousness of the people."

"The Party, Soviet, trade union and Komsomol (youth) organizations are called upon to use all their resources and abilities to raise the consciousness of the workers and to liquidate religious beliefs and superstition."

—BR—

As a generation, we dope ourselves with amateur psychology. We buy up all the book of the peace-of-mind cults, pitifully confident that it is possible to have peace of mind in our kind of world. We follow preachers who hawk formulas for banishing worry and fear and tension while the prophets of God, with their painful judgments requiring repentance, go unheeded. We turn wistfully to "inspirational" speakers, and are left with a terrible emptiness and loneliness of soul and a desperation of spirit. Every once in a while we realize that we are renegades from our true natures. To man today comes a tragic sense of failure—failure in living. We are brilliant but unhappy, clever but unstable, comfortable but comfortless; we own so much and possess so little. We are forlorn souls, groping and hungering and lost. Once again, as in the Garden of Eden, man is a fugitive certitude—From AMERICA'S SPI-

Natives Of Miss. Appointed Missionaries



Two young women who were born and reared in Mississippi were among the 11 young people appointed for overseas mission service by the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board at its December meeting. Both married, they are Mrs. Henry D. Martin, Margaret Anne McMullen before her marriage four months ago, of Sumner, and Mrs. Harry L. Raley, formerly Helen Francis Bibb, of Moorhead and Drew.

Mrs. Martin attended Blue Mountain College, and Mississippi, and received the M.E. degree from Southwestern Seminary.

While in the Girl's Auxiliary of her church she first felt the urgent need for more missionaries; and she made a definite decision for foreign mission service during her first year at the seminary.

Mr. Martin is pastor of Springfield (Va.) Church. A native of

RITUAL RECOVERY by Edward L. R. Elson: Fleming H. Revell Company).

—BR—

The people who try my religion more than any other are those who meet every proposal for human betterment or change with a superior smile and the old statement, "You can't change human nature." Someone said, "There is more downright blasphemy in that sentence than in a tent full of top sergeants." There is more down-right atheism in that attitude than in all the professed Godlessness of Russia, for at least Russia believes that something can be changed. It is a denial of the whole New Testament. From "the year 1," people have been saying, "You can't change human nature." That is nothing but a rationalization of defeatism, the refuge of prodigals who won't go home, the resistance of the secular man to the call of God within his soul to get up and be himself, the self for which he was created. From HORNS AND HALOS IN HUMAN NATURE by J. Wallace Hamilton. (Fleming H. Revell Company).

Virginia, he attended Bluefield College (Va.) and Georgetown College (Ky.), and received the B.D. degree from Southwestern Seminary.

Mr. Martin grew up in a Christian home and accept Christ as his Saviour when he was 18. A retired missionary from the Belgian Congo and his pastor were influential in his decision to enter full-time Christian service. "I knew God wanted me; that was enough," he said.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin will serve in Nigeria.

Mrs. Raley was graduated from high school in Drew; attended Clarke Memorial College, Mississippi College, and Southwestern Seminary.

Of her interest in foreign missions, Mrs. Raley said, "In 1918 I represented Mississippi Baptist Student Union in Hawaii doing vacation Bible school work.

There I got a vision of missions that I could never have gotten otherwise. Soon I felt God working in my heart, making me see the needs of the world . . . In March, 1950, when my pastor was giving the report of a recent Foreign Mission Board meeting, I again faced God's call to foreign service and surrendered."

Mr. Raley is pastor of the Columbia Church, Honea Path, S. C.

A native of South Carolina, Mr. Raley attended Berry College (Ga.) and Furman University, Greenville, S. C., and received the B.D. from Southwestern Seminary.

Concerning his Christian experience, Mr. Raley told the Board, "It seems that from the day I became a Christian God was calling me to become a preacher . . . In the spring of 1949 I felt God calling me to surrender for foreign missions."

Mr. and Mrs. Raley have a son, Harry Llewellyn, Jr., 18 months.

They will go to Formosa as Southern Baptists' first direct appointees to that country. The 28 missionaries now serving in Formosa were formerly of the China staff.

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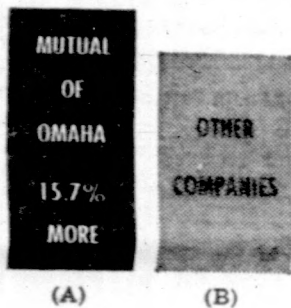


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By Joel Sorenson
Youth Secretary of the
Baptist World Alliance
I. CEYLON AND INDIA

Asia — continent of vastness, Eastern tyranny, and appalling poverty!

Asia — continent of mystery, awe, and enchantment!

Asia — continent of social and political unrest, scene of modern revolutions, home of hundreds of millions, rising up from their humiliation, asking for national freedom, human rights and bread!

I had been appointed to visit this continent. It was the Baptist youth of the free Asia, which had requested a visit of a representative for the Youth Committee of the Baptist World Alliance. I had been chosen for this task with the aim of extending a hand of fellowship to the scattered groups of young Christians in nine Asian countries, belonging to our Baptist fellowship. I had never visited Asia before but knew something regarding the life and thinking of its people through books. My task was tremendous — to link East and West in the name of Christ. At the same time a fascinating and very difficult task.

Well — I took off from my home town Stockholm in Sweden on the 10th of October. I had ten weeks travel and speaking ahead of me. Air transportation was the only reasonable way of traveling. The Scandinavian Airlines DC-6 carried me via Oslo, Copenhagen, Dusseldorf — bad weather over Germany! — Geneva, and Rome to the edge of Africa. In Cairo we stopped early in the morning for breakfast. The plane was soon again off for the next stop, my first stop in Asia. Karachi was the name of the place and Pakistan the country. There is no Baptist work in this Mohammedan city. I had to stop over a day to make connections with Ceylon. Here Eastern life in its poverty and primitivism hit you right in the face. Camels, Eastern Bazaars, narrow streets, fruit markets, an enormous amount of people, women in colorful saris — this was the first impression. How different the street life from that to which a European is accustomed! The only sign of Christian activity I saw a building for a Bible society — but it was closed that day!

After another night on an airplane — a KLM Constellation — I woke up early in the morning just to see the fog lift from an enchanting island in the sea: Ceylon. Big, green palms bowed their crowned heads in a welcome gesture and the sun colored the picture with golden light! And welcomed I was also by Rev. Willie Wickeramasinghe — speaker at the Stockholm Congress in 1949 — and other good Baptists from Ceylon. There was not too much time to rest. After a brief breakfast we were off

for an all day visit to the centre of the island in a small English Morris.

Well, Ceylon is a beautiful island. Everything was fresh and green. The rice-fields were carrying their crops. The road was narrow and winding. Soon we entered the hill country with charming and impressive views. Two elephants came walking along the road slowly. The people looked healthy and happy. The women had an unmistakable charm. Of course the people are very poor — but everything looked much nicer than in Karachi.

Our Baptist work is not very big. There are about 1,600 Baptists on the island. Out of 8.1 million people 5.2 million are Buddhists and 1.6 million Hindus. So the Baptists are a very small minority. They have however 43 schools, most of which are primary schools. We visited

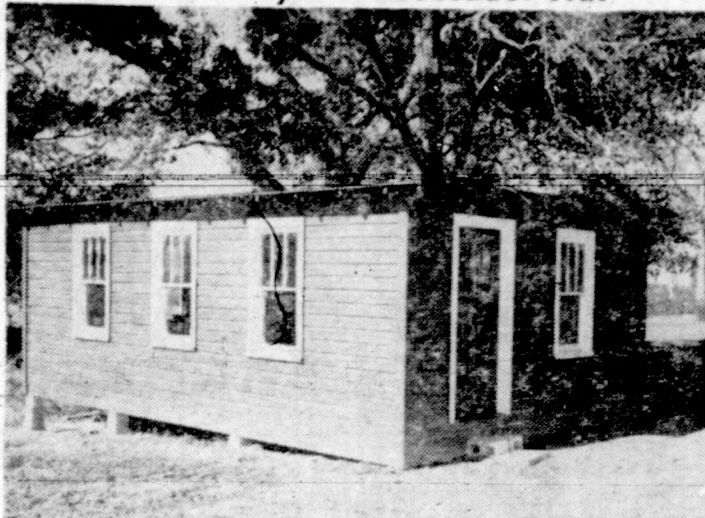
one of them, directed in connection with a Baptist church. There the elementary knowledge of mathematics, reading and writing was given under the shadow of the palms.

In a place called Matale I met with Baptist church members in a garden party, followed by a service in the church. The light was going out all the time in the church, so my first speech on Asiatic soil was given in quite a dramatic setting!

The Baptists of the island have a certain dignity and it is unmistakable that it is the great Baptist Missionary Society, which brought our Baptist faith to the island. The mood of the Baptists is British, the dress of the pastors British — the ecclesiastical collar! The growth is not big in the Baptist churches. Baptists share the difficulties of all Protestant Christians on the island; increased Buddhist activity. There is e. g. a law, forbidding religious influence in schools. The Baptists have a nice college for boys and a high-school for girls. But they are not allowed to proclaim our faith to the non-Christians! I had to give a speech, rather general in nature, not mentioning Christ, in the Chapel service of the boys college, the Carey College, because the majority of the students came from non-Christian homes. What a blow to our Christian evangelism! And my Ceylonese host for my last meal on the island said, that in all probability the Christians will have to suffer persecution rather soon. If it comes, I believe that faith of our Baptist brethren will be strong enough to withstand the threat.

In India I just touched two of the main cities: Madras and Calcutta. In Madras I came in contact with the great Telegu work. There are several Telegu churches in Madras. There are about 125,000 members in the Telegu Baptist Church, and most of the churches are independent. The Telegu field was opened by

Moss Point, First, builds Royal Ambassador Hut



The people of First Baptist Church, Moss Point, observed the work of their Royal Ambassadors, under the leadership of Counselor Norris Faggard. They began to see something of the needs of the Royal Ambassador

program and the necessity of a place for the chapter to meet — a place which the boys could call their own. A place was needed where charts, banners, flags and other equipment could be permanently placed and yet not be of inconvenience to other organizations. The answer was a Royal Ambassador hut.

On the rear of the church lot

was an ideal spot going to waste. With five hundred dollars and a love for boys, they set out to build a hut. This building, sufficiently large and adequate, has increased the interest of boys in Royal Ambassadors and also has

helped inform the church about this organization for boys.

The hut is of natural finish on the inside and the outside is of a rustic green trimmed in white.

Pastor of the church is Dr. W. L. Stagg, Jr. Brotherhood President is H. C. Daffin.

Note Other Brotherhoods could follow this idea.

North American Baptist missionaries during the middle of the 1870-ies, when after many years of fruitless labour about 2,000 were baptized within a few days! The Telegus are friendly, happy, and rather lively. They greeted the rest of the Baptists in the world that they wanted to share with them the suffering and the evangelization! A church in Madras with 800 members baptized last year 120 people.

Calcutta — vast city of enormous poverty! I have never seen anything like it in my whole life. On my way to the airport at night, I saw people laying all along the pavements, sleeping. Two men, who had visited a Baptist church fairly regularly, was asked by the pastor: "Where do you live?" "Oh," they said, "at the Governor's residence." Well, the pastor was a little bit bewildered. They did not look as if they lived with the governor's staff! And they didn't. What they meant was that they slept on the street outside the palace! I was overwhelmed by this jungle of human beings, living like dirty animals. Six million people in the city.

Well, Sunday night I preached in the church, which William Carey built in the beginning of the 19th century. It still stands! And I saw the Baptistry, where Adoniram and Ann Judson and Luther Rice from the U. S. A. — Congregationalist missionaries who by studying the Bible on their way to India became convinced Baptists — were baptized in 1812. The church was packed with people. I felt the sweep of the wings of great Bap-

Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary. Berkeley, California, is now an associate member of the American Association of Theological Schools, according to a recent announcement of Dr. Harold K. Graves, president of Golden Gate. Of significance and interest, also, is the fact that at the same time similar recognition was given to Southeastern Seminary at Wake Forest, N. C. All Southern Baptist seminaries have now been accepted by the AATS.

tist history that evening! What a great heritage is given to us as young Baptists to carry on. The testimonies of Baptist youth, who had attended a "summer school" at Serampore college were most refreshing. Here was truly and evangelical, fresh and vital faith!

And that faith is surely needed. Out of the 380 million people in India less than five million are Protestant Christians. And of these five million not more than two million are Christians by conviction. The rest are formal Christians like the state-church Christians in Europe. The Church is the greatest mission field in India!

My next stop was Hong Kong — and then Japan. But of the experience in those countries I will tell in my next article.

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N. O. Seminary plans Missions Conference For February 25-27

The New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary is planning a Student Missions Conference to be held the weekend of February 25-27. Under the sponsorship of the Department of Missions, the conference is expected to be one of the most significant missionary efforts ever undertaken by the Department. Ministerial and missionary students throughout the Southern Baptist Convention may attend simply by sending \$1 registration fee to Miss Helen Falls, assistant professor of Missions, who is in charge of conference arrangement.

The primary aim of the conference is to guide missionary students in the selection of pre-seminary courses which will enable them to do maximum seminary work. In addition the conference will provide these students with preappointment information from the mission Boards of the Southern Baptist Convention. Representatives of the Boards and a group of missionaries will acquaint the students with the methods and opportunities on the mission fields now served by Southern Baptists.

The "meat" of the conference will be the contribution of outstanding missionary statesmen. Among these will be Dr. John Caylor, Dr. Lewis Martin, Mr. Edwin Dozier, and Dr. Ben Lawton. Mr. Elmer West, Jr. and Miss Edna Frances Dawkins will furnish the latest information of Board requirements which all students should have before they apply for appointment.

Additional detail on the conference may be secured by writing Miss Helen Falls in care of the Seminary, 3939 Gentilly Boulevard, New Orleans 22, Louisiana.

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Attention, all Young People between the ages of 17-24. The Speakers' Tournament affords a special opportunity for witnessing for the Lord, many times to hundreds of people. When Young People participate in the Speakers' Tournament, they grow spiritually and are greater blessings to others.

In our state this year we are asking that the Young People be divided into two groups:

Group I—Young People—17-19 years of age.

Group II—Young People—20-24 years of age.

During the first quarter of the year it will be necessary to have a Speakers' Tournament in each union in order to select the union representative in Departmental or Church-wide Tournament. In the Department or Church-wide Tournament one young person in each group (as designated above) will be selected to represent the church in the Associational Tournament.

Each church is entitled to send a representative from each group to the Associational Tournament.

The Associational Tournament as well as the District Tournament will be conducted in such a way that two representatives may be selected: one to represent Group I and the other to represent Group II.

An elimination on a regional basis will be held prior to the state finals at the state Training Union Convention, June 24, 1955 at First Baptist Church, Jackson at which time all district winners regardless of prior grouping will participate and be judged. Two young people from each region will appear on the Convention program in the state finals.

This year two first place winners will be selected. One will represent Mississippi in the Southwide Speakers' Tournament at Glorieta, New Mexico, during the week of June 30-July 6. The other will represent the state in the Speakers' Tournament at Ridgecrest, North Carolina the week of July 28-August 3.

Blue Mountain College offers a \$100 scholarship to the girl who ranks highest in the State Tournament and Mississippi College offers a \$100 scholarship to the highest ranking boy.

Special note to churches and associations in districts composed of two or three associations: In districts composed of two or three associations, each church may send two representatives in each age group to the Associational Tournament and each association may send two Young People in each group

to the District Tournament. At the District Tournament one person in each age group will be selected to represent the district at the State Convention.

The Young People's Speakers' Tournament pamphlet containing the rules and the subjects for the tournament are available from the State Training Union Department, Box 530, Jackson, Mississippi. YOUNG PEOPLE BETWEEN THE AGES OF 17-24, this is your opportunity.

NEW CHOCTAW ASSOCIATION HOLDS FIRST "M" NIGHT

The Associational Training Union of New Choctaw Association recently held an "M" Night meeting at Conehatta under the leadership of Thomas Nickey, Associational Training Union Director and Rev. Horace Fisher, Associational Missionary. Mr. Franklin Bell brought the devotional, Miss Neta Stewart of the state Training Union Department led three Juniors in a demonstration of the Junior Memory Work Drill and several Intermediates of the First Baptist Church, Jackson demonstrated an Intermediate Union meeting.

A total of 101 were present for the meeting with 8 churches represented and 5 pastors present. Rev. Clay Gibson of Bethany Church led the singing and Mr. Kermit King brought the closing message. Macedonia Church had the highest attendance of any church with 45 present. Rev. B. D. Issac is pastor of Macedonia Church.

STANDARD UNITS FOR JULY-SEPT., 1954

Alta Woods Church, "Anchor" Adult Union, Bob Ross, Pres.; "Hustlers" Adult Union, H. A. Magee, Pres.; "Kingdom Builders" Adult Union, Mrs. Eva Wise, Pres.; Adult Department II, W. R. Sigrest, Director.

Clinton Baptist Church
 Beginner Department, Mrs. J. B. Bogie, Department Leader.

First Baptist, Jackson
 Intermediate Union (Thirteen years old), Mrs. Lewis McCraw, Leader.

Griffith Memorial
 "Jolly Juniors", Mrs. Y. W. Aikison, Leader; "Doers of the Word", Mrs. Loyd Watts, Leader.

Parkway, Jackson
 Beginner Department No. III, Mrs. W. J. Allen, Department Leader; Primary No. 6, Mrs. Hugh Walker, Dept. Leader; "Challengers" Intermediate Union, Evelyn Irvin, Leader; "Conquerors" Intermediate Union, Mrs. Jesse Griffin, Leader; Intermediate Dept. No. III, Wilburn Irvin, Dept. Director; "Conquerors" Young People's

Mexican Church Fees Raised by Archbishop

According to the Sunday School Times, the following notes appeared in the principal daily papers of Mexico City, September 28, 1954:

"Increase in the Tariffs of the Catholic Church"

"Because of the devaluation of the Mexican peso, the Roman Catholic Church in Mexico has been obliged to increase the ecclesiastical tariffs 40 per cent, according to the circular sent by the Primate Archbishop Luis Maria Martinez to all the churches of the different religious orders.

"The new quotas of the tariff will come into force the first day of October next."

The Metropolitan Mitre (i.e., the Archbishop), addressing the priests, requests that they explain clearly to the faithful that the divine sacraments are not offered for sale, but that their spontaneous gifts serve for the maintenance of worship and of its ministers. The fee for ordinary Masses will be \$10; wedding fee, \$20; Gregorian Mass, \$360; baptisms, \$5.

How it works. A poor woman's baby in Chiapas was dying. She went to the parish priest for its baptism. He demanded 75 cents. The mother went from door to door begging, and returned with 50 cents. The priest refused to baptize the child unless he received the full 75 cents. The child died unbaptized, and the mother was heartbroken. Her child was consigned to perdition for lack of 25 cents!

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(See Page 2)

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Intermediate Union, Mrs. W. G. Kelly, Leader; Young People's Union, Miss Gail Williams, President.

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 East Fork Church, Adult Union, James H. Smith, President.

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Tutwiler Church, Junior Union, Mrs. J. Herbert Everett, Leader.

NASHVILLE, Tenn.—(BSSB)

—Miss Hannah Brummitt is the new superintendent of Cradle Roll work in the Sunday School Department, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville. She succeeds Mrs. W. L. Blankenship who retired Sept. 1, 1954. Miss Brummitt was formerly director of religious education at First Baptist Church, Hendersonville, N. C. She attended Woman's College, Greensboro, N. C., and Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary.

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GRAND RAPIDS, Mich. The

Zondervan Publishing Company has announced the publication of a new church history, CHRISTIANITY THROUGH THE CENTURIES, by Earle E. Cairns, Ph. D., Chairman of the History Department of Wheaton College, Wheaton, Illinois. Dr. Cairns traces early church history from 5 B. C. down through the present day. One unique feature of this new church history text is its complete coverage of the little understood period since 1914. His is one of the new texts which discuss this period. Other unique features make this new church history text completely different in the field: It is both conservative and interdenominational. It is widespread in scope, fitting Christianity into the political, economic, social, intellectual and ascetic background of secular history. Extensively illustrated with maps, charts and graphs as well as actual photographs of interesting areas and figures prominent in church history,



Three members of the Russell Church received pins for attendance records in Sunday School. Joe Walters, left, received a pin for one year with perfect attendance; Virginia Dionier received her third year pin, and Alford Harper, right, received his 7th year pin.

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Sunday School Lesson

Dr. L. Bracey Campbell
For January 16
I. The Cry of the Orphaned Human Heart

"Shew us the Father." It has rung down the ages off the tongue of every tribe in every land beneath the stars. "Shew us God?" Not quite! Men want to be shown "the Father God." There are Gods many and Lords many, and under one name and under one form or another men have sought evidence of the existence of God and have professed to having found it. But the God for whom the lonely heart of man has panted in all the years is the God of the Father heart. So when Philip said to Jesus, (John 14:8) "Lord, shew us the Father, and it sufficeth us." He was but giving articulation to the desire of humanity.

In the case of Philip and the others present with him, it carried, likely, the meaning that a knowledge of God alone can satisfy the human heart. Read the reports from all the world around, review contemporary literature, listen to the plaintive pleas of troubled hearts, look at the social conditions of our world today, and you will be lead to the conclusion that Philip and voicing the deep desire of men everywhere today.

Men without a Father God is restless, a child without a loving sire, without hope, a bewildered groper in the darkness, feeling that life is but a tale told by an idiot, full of sound and fury signifying nothing. Now, Philip, in spite of his long association with his Lord, in spite of Peter's great confession, with which Philip indubitably agreed fully and completely, did not yet fully comprehend and appreciate the teachings of Christ concerning the Father, which he had so often heard from the Master's lips. Philip had not yet entered into possession of the truth the Lord had uttered.

Again, Philip did know, had become fully persuaded, that Christ was able to reveal God to the heart of man. Philip is not, I think, expressing any disappointment with Christ and His revelation of God, but, quite on the other hand, expressing his deep conviction that Christ and He alone is able to give a full and satisfying explanation of God. In this conviction, Philip points a soul-thirsty world to the one fountain of living water, the one source of the living bread of life, the one oracle from whose lips men may learn the truth that sets men free.

II. The Answer To the Cry Of the Orphaned Human Heart

Long before Jesus was born in Bethlehem, a wise man of Athens had said, "We do not know how to live as we ought, nor shall we know till one come from the God to tell us." And this conviction in the heart of

the ancient Greek had found echo in a million hearts besides. Inside the nation of Israel, God's chosen people as His medium of communication with the world, there were always men and women who strove to keep their hearts in tune with the infinite that they might hear what He might be pleased to say through them to the race of men. Without exception these soul-sensitive ones stood a-tiptoe with expectancy awaiting the coming of the promised one.

At length in God's own time He came, every single circumstance of His coming attesting His identity with the Lord of Life so often and so emphatically promised by the prophets of the Lord Almighty. And now He is here, and the abundance of the testimony borne by many classes of witnesses to His essential Deity will appear to any unprejudiced investigator to be not only convincing but overwhelmingly irrefutable. Let us listen to only a few of the very many: Matthew the Publican (Chapter 1:18-23 . . . v. 22. "All this is come to pass, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the Lord through the prophet saying, 'Behold the virgin shall be with child and shall bring forth a son. And they shall call His name Immanuel'; which is, being interpreted, 'God.'")

Let's let Luke the beloved Physician bear witness: (Chapter 1:26-38). The word of the angel Gabriel to Mary, v. 35. "The Holy Spirit shall come upon thee, and the power of the Most High shall overshadow thee; wherefore also that holy thing which is begotten shall be called the Son of God." Note the witness of the angel of the annunciation to the shepherds of Judea, (Luke 2:25-32).

One word from stout-hearted John the Baptist, (John 1:34). "I have seen and have borne witness that this is the Son of God." Let us hear a word from John the Beloved, author of the Fourth Gospel, of three epistles, and of the Revelation: (John 1:1-18). "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God . . . And the Word became flesh, and dwelt among us (and we beheld His glory, glory as of the only begotten from the Father), full of grace and truth . . ." In the glory of a sudden flash of the light of inspiration, Nathaniel the sincere, the man to whom Jesus accorded the title, "An Israelite indeed in whom is no guile," and it was this Nathaniel who, upon hearing the first words he ever heard Jesus utter, (John 1:48), "Rabbi, thou art the Son of God; thou art the King of Israel." To summons Paul to the witness stand in this great cause is to bring the man who, in my judgment is the greatest of all the men of God, and in two passages of his writings (Philippians 2:5-11; and Colossians 1:15-20) as well as in every benediction he recorded, Paul declares the essential

III. The Typical Answer To The Cry of the Orphaned Human Heart

Matthew 16:13-19

1. It is not by searching that men find out God. "Flesh and blood did not reveal it unto thee, but my Father who is in heaven." When in after years, Paul went



Blue Mountain, Miss., Dec. 27 — During the year 1954, students from every continent have registered in Blue Mountain College. One student from each continent is shown in this picture. Left to right: Alicia de Nava, Venezuela, South America; Lolete Dotson, Southern Rhodesia, Africa; Sara Ann Coleman, West Point, Mississippi, U. S. A.; Marylu Moore, Rome, Italy; Leonora Wong, Hong Kong, China. Additional students from Asia and South America are expected in January for the beginning of the second semester.

While regularly two-thirds of Blue Mountain's students are from Mississippi, every southern state from the Potomac to the Rio Grande is represented in the current student body.

Miss Dotson's parents, Rev. and Mrs. Clyde Dotson and Miss Moore's parents, Dr. and Mr. W. D. Moore, are missionaries.

From Blue Mountain College, 1954
By Dora Pennington, S. C. N.

Deity of Jesus. As for Hebrews, we may, I think, lump the whole book into one and say that, from start to finish, it is one testimonial to the Deity of Jesus.

But we may not close this division without the Spirit-enlightened testimony of Peter, and the August testimony of the Lord God Almighty. His testimony is found given first at the Baptism of our Lord (Matthew 3:17), "And lo, a voice out of heaven, saying, 'This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased'." And once more, on the Mount of Transfiguration (Matthew 17:1-8). v. 5. "This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased; hear ye Him."

Simon Peter's testimony came at the end of months of intimate association with Jesus and the disciples, during which time Peter and the other disciples no doubt discussed the nature and personality of their Lord many times. But we must not think that Peter's conviction as to the identity of his Lord grew out of these discussions. The conviction came as the result of a revelation from God, and both was and is a conviction that can come in no other way.

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Congress Gets Resolution For UN Prayers

By Religious News Service
WASHINGTON, D. C. — A resolution requesting that the American delegation to the United Nations initiate steps to have each session of the UN General Assembly opened with prayer is among the first bills introduced at the new session of Congress.

The resolution was offered by Rep. Frank J. Becker (R.-N. Y.) who said, "I cannot help but feel that until such a time as the United Nations ceases to ignore Almighty God the people of the world cannot expect lasting peace to develop from that organization."

"The Congress of the United States and the legislatures of our states do not hesitate to ask God's help in their deliberations," he added, "so why should the United Nations continue to ignore divine assistance?"

The resolution requests the President "to instruct the United States mission to the United Nations to take such steps as may be necessary to have each day's session in the United Nations opened with a prayer."

Rep. Becker said he believes the proposal is one that can be supported by members of all faiths.

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The Baptist Record appreciates a nice list of subscriptions from the Deemer Church. The list was sent by Mrs. J. E. Turner.

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GOD CHANGED A HOME

NASHVILLE, Tenn.—(BSSB)—Can a marriage possibly survive that begins in a barroom and then makes its sorry, drunken way from the divorce courts to a prison cell?

The answer is a resounding yes, according to the amazing testimony of a wife and mother who tells her story, "God Changed My Home," in the January issue of *Home Life*, Southern Baptists' Christian Family Magazine.

"I ran away when I was sixteen," begins the author of this startling confession. She met her future husband in a barroom. Two children were born into their home, a boy and a girl. "But our trouble was drink," the mother explains pointedly.

"My husband wasn't a Christian either," she continues, "but he was concerned for the children and he figured that a drinking mother was worse than no mother at all. One day he took the children and did not come back."

After her first marriage ended in divorce, this miserably unhappy woman met her second husband—also in a barroom—and they began a life of "drinking and fighting." Finding this existence intolerable, she announced to her husband that she wanted a divorce, and there followed another fight in which he broke her arm.

Still not through venting his wrath, the vindictive second husband had her jailed on a charge of forgery. But she later decided that this was the best thing that could have happened, for it was in a prison cell that she was introduced to the Bible by the prison chaplain and was converted.

With the help of her first husband and the chaplain, this new Christian was freed from prison. "Now that you have seen what God has done for your wife, wouldn't you like to become a Christian too?" the chaplain asked her former husband. Immediately he accepted Christ.

Later the author and her first husband were remarried and the home was reunited. "God has changed all relationships," she says today.

"Of course we all suffer the scars of the past, and my greatest heartache comes when I realize the way I have hurt my children," says a repentant mother. "We are active in the



Shown above is Rev. W. E. Foster, pastor of Enon Church in Clay County. Among recent improvements at the church are venetian blinds concrete steps, a butane gas system, a new cemetery fence, the doubling of the number of subscribers to the Baptist Record.

PEARLS, POINTS, AND PARABLES (Baker Book House, Grand Rapids 6, Michigan, \$2.80) is packed with ideas and outlines for sermons, talks and addresses. It has good thoughts for the individual's private meditations, too. More than 250 topics are illustrated with texts of Scripture, striking incidents, Bible readings and classic quotations. An Index furnishes a guide to the topic on which you seek illumination. Order from the Baptist Book Store or the publisher this book by F. E. Marsh.

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The Baptist Record has received a copy of the minutes of the Aicora Association, which are particularly attractive with a designed cover. The 40 page booklet is well-prepared and gives full information concerning the work of the association. We note from one of the 8 charts included that several churches do not have the Baptist Record in their budget. May we suggest the "Buddy Plan" to those churches that do have the EVERY FAMILY Plan. Rev. W. C. Gann is the moderator and Levi Ayers is the clerk.

church and there have been many opportunities to give my testimony. And the Lord just goes on adding happiness to happiness and mercy to mercy."

GOING PLACES

By A. L. GOODRICH

Read This; Do Likewise

We quote below from a letter from Rev. Estes Denton, pastor of the Yellow Creek Church in Winston County.

Although more than 1100 churches have adopted the popular and progressive EVERY FAMILY Plan of the Baptist Record there are still a few hundred that are not enjoying the blessing and inspiration and information of the Record. If those pastors would do as Pastor Denton has done, most of them would have the EVERY FAMILY Plan and the Baptist Record would have a higher circulation. Pastor Denton writes:

"This past Sunday I recommended to our people that we as a Baptist Church should be on the alert and know what is going on in our state and the Convention. I further stated that I believed the best way to accomplish this would be by subscribing to our Baptist Record. We voted 100 per cent to make the EVERY FAMILY Plan a part of our program. Please start the Record at once to the names enclosed."

Record readers in Winston County are now listed as follows:

Why Fear Death?

By Dr. Gaines S. Dobbins, Dean School of Religious Education, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky.

Paul speaks of death as the last enemy which Christ has put under his feet. Yet the fear of death haunts a vast multitude today, even Christians who believe in the resurrection and in Christ's victory over death. Pastors know how trying is the ordeal that is often undergone at a funeral where the pagan concept of death still prevails.

In a recent issue of *Home Life*, Dr. S. L. Morgan of Wake Forest, North Carolina had an article entitled "Why Fear Death?" It is one of the most complete answers that I have ever read to the dread that most of us feel as we contemplate the personal experience of death. Upon reading the article and learning that it was available as a reprint, I requested sufficient copies to supply students in my seminary class who were at the time studying with me the responsibility of the minister in conducting funerals and dealing constructively with the bereaved.

Dr. M. A. Huggins, Executive Secretary of the North Carolina Baptist Convention, was so impressed with the article that he ordered a quantity of the reprints. I understand that a copy may be had on request from Dr. Huggins, 119 Hillsboro Street, Raleigh, North Carolina. The wide circulation of this article will bring comfort to many.

YELLOW CREEK, 22; Antioch, 2; BETHEL, 36; CALVARY, 40; Crystal Ridge, 16; DRY CREEK, 45; Enon, 15; Evergreen, 1; GOOD HOPE, 46; HARMONY, 71; Holly Grove, 1; Hinze, 1; LIBERTY, 50; LOUISVILLE, EAST, 62; LOUISVILLE, FIRST, 390; LOUISVILLE, SOUTH, 23; LOUISVILLE, WEST END, 24; MACEDONIA, 28; MURPHY CREEK, 93; MT. CARMEL (NOXAPATER), 110; POPLAR FLAT, 39; Shiloh, 18; UNION RIDGE, 27; Singleton, 11.

Eastport Is Number 1112

Even though Rev. George A. Bacon is in Sheffield, Alabama, he is acting like a Mississippi pastor. In fact, he is a Mississippi pastor, pastor of the Eastport Church in Tishomingo County.

Recently he sent the EVERY FAMILY list from Eastport Church and wrote, "We are putting the Record in each home and have a tentative budget set up in which we will take part in our associational meetings and Cooperative Program work."

Record readers in Tishomingo County are now listed as follows: Belmont, 3; BETHLEHEM, 23; BURNSVILLE, 29; Cross Roads, 1; Eastport, 19; Golden Central, 2; IUKA, 121; Mt. Moriah, 18; Mt. Vernon, 17; New Liberty, 19; New Prospect, 8; New Salem, 16; Overton Chapel, 12; PADEN, 26; SOUTH CROSS ROADS, 51; Tishomingo, 1; OLDHAM, 27.

Washington Baptists Believe In Information

The members of the Washington Church at Neely believe that informed Baptists are better Baptists and they have proved it by adopting the EVERY FAMILY Plan of the Baptist Record.

Recently the church treasurer, Miss Ethel Williams, sent a list of 29 names with instructions to start the Baptist Record.

Record readers in Adams County are now listed as follows: IMMANUEL, 171; NATCHEZ, FIRST, 608; NATCHEZ, WEST SIDE, 157; NATCHEZ, CLOVERDALE, 44; NATCHEZ, FELLOWSHIP, 85; NATCHEZ, FRIENDSHIP, 44; CRANFIELD, 36; SPRING FIELD CHAPEL, 34; WASHINGTON, 85; MORGANTOWN, 26.

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Many Churches To Observe Baptist Radio Hour Day

Churches throughout 38 Southern Baptist Convention states, in Hawaii, Puerto Rico, Panama and the Philippine Islands have designated one Sunday during January and February, 1955 for the first "Baptist Hour Recognition Day."

The purpose of this special observance is to recognize the far-flung fields which bring the Gospel message to many millions who are unchurched and unsaved through the "Baptist Hour."

Response to an invitation by Radio and Television Commission Director Paul M. Stevens, to join in this recognition day, has been met with high enthusiasm by many pastors and the more than 350 stations which carry the "Baptist Hour" to a conservatively estimated six million persons in the continental United States alone.

Churches holding recognition services plan to invite their local radio station representatives to be present and accept individual awards for distinguished service issued by the Radio and Television Commission.

"The producers of the 'Baptist Hour' are understandably proud of their unique position in the Convention which actually makes them assistant pastors to the almost 30,000 cooperating churches.

A testimonial flood to the effectiveness of the "Baptist Hour" keeps a staff busy at the Baptist Radio Center in Atlanta, as letters pour in from around the globe and across the continent.

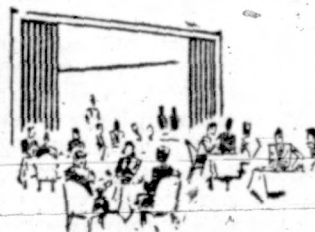
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Dr. Luther Joe Thompson



Dr. W. F. Howard

Pictured above are Dr. Luther Joe Thompson, Pastor of Calvary Church, Jackson, and Dr. W. F. Howard, Texas BSU Secretary, who are to participate in the program of the Seminar for Local BSU Directors and Other Workers to be held in the Baptist Building, Jackson, January 26-28.

All local BSU Directors and either the Faculty or Pastor Adviser of the BSU's not having a Director are to be the guests of the State BSU Department for this very important meeting. It is hoped that many college pastors and others interested in college students will attend.

NEED ASSOCIATE

As the Student Work continues to advance in Mississippi, the need of an Associate State BSU Secretary becomes more acute. According to the Survey Bulletin of Southern Baptists, Mississippi has the largest percentage of Baptists among its college students than any other state in the Southern Baptist Convention, and a larger total number of Baptist students and a larger number of colleges than Kentucky and South Carolina, both of which have an Associate State BSU Secretary.

REV. SAMMIE CRAWFORD

Services were held at Calvary Baptist Church near Bruce January 7 for Rev. Sammie P. Crawford. Rev. A. F. Brasher officiated, assisted by Rev. L. F. Harris, Elton Barlow, Lamar Ball and Carl Greer. Burial was at Hazlehurst on Saturday morning, January 8.

Mr. Crawford died from a heart attack at Oak Ridge, Tennessee, Saturday evening, January 5. He was 45.

Born at Wesson, Miss., he was a Baptist minister for 20 years and had lived in Bruce two years.

He leaves his wife Mrs. Perla Greer Crawford; four daughters, Melva Crawford, Gayle Crawford, DeWanna Crawford, and Lyndell Crawford of Bruce; a brother, L. J. Crawford of Jackson, Miss., and five sisters, Mrs. S. W. Edwards, Mrs. B. J. Ferrell, Mrs. Laura Crawford, all of Hazlehurst, Mrs. A. L. Furr of Conroe, Texas, and Mrs. E. C. West of Greenville, S. C.

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Historic persons and incidents in religious history will be depicted in a new, nationally distributed picture-story magazine. Famous Funnies originated the comics magazine in its present format and has published one under the same title continuously for 21 years. "The comics medium, which we conceive to be

a cartoon narrative, is widely read by youngsters and we believe that since they like it, they should be given an opportunity to learn some of the important traditional Bible stories in this medium," Mr. Harold A. Moore, editor, explained. The new comics magazine, titled "Tales From the Great Book" will be derived exclusively from the comic strip of the same name now running regularly in 68 Sunday newspapers throughout the United States. The newspaper strip is produced by Publishers Syndicate, Chicago. "Tales From the Great Book" is drawn and edited by John Lehti.

The Laymen's National Committee, Inc., which sponsors National Sunday School Week and National Bible Week, has endorsed the religious comic strip, Mr. Moore stated. The first issue of "Tales From the Great Book" deals with the "Story of Samson" and "Daniel and the Babylonians in the Fall of Jerusalem," (10 cents).

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The Baptist Record appreciates a copy of the minutes of the 34th annual session of the Panola county Association which was held with First Church, Batesville, and Calvary Church on September 16 and 17. The 1955 session will be held at Sardis and Good Hope Churches. The minutes are attractively prepared and printed.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE

January 9, 1955

Jackson:

Van Winkle	646	298
Southside	400	172
Crestwood	698	391
Daniel Memorial	738	275
Highland	105	50
West Jackson	285	142
Parkway	1049	470
Calvary	1495	437
Main	1431	407
Mission	64	30
Broadmoor	474	187
Magonia Park	84	75
Northside	621	200
Springfield (Scott)	105	45
Clinton	668	438
Paul Truitt (Rankin)	159	90
Pearl (Rankin)	205	94
Richland Rankin	175	39
Byram (Hinds)	199	123
Briar Hill (Rankin)	85	53
Flowood	107	96
Yazoo City, First	486	165
Pascagoula, First	795	272
Main School	732	239
McArthur Chapel	63	33
Crowder	192	107
Morton	310	109
Main	296	
Mission	14	
Aberdeen, First	392	105
New Prospect DeSoto	142	112
Calvary (Alcorn)	112	62
Stonewall	232	129
Petal-Harvey	372	151
Main School	350	
Harvey S. S.	22	
East Tupelo	339	226
Lucedale	340	152
Corinth, Tate Street	267	110
Soso	172	85
Union Sr.	104	112
Pascagoula Eastlawn	170	102
Columbia, First	721	270
Main School	643	270
S. Columbia Mission	78	49
Pilgrims Rest		
(Copiah)	70	56
County Lee		
(Greene)	42	37
Murphy Creek		
(Winston)	169	109
Amity (Chickasaw)	56	69
Ruth	58	62
Spanish Fort (Sharkey)		
Issaquena	52	23
Ripley, First	295	94
New Hope (Gulf Coast)	162	69
Glenfield (Union Co.)	116	91
West Point, First	614	228
West Point, Calvary	273	127
McComb, Locust St.	96	48
Brookhaven First	826	256
Main	697	177
Southway	81	52
Halbert Heights	48	27
Hattiesburg, Temple	584	196
Kreole, First	107	57
Friendship (Jackson)	79	73
Olive Branch	140	79
Brookhaven, Central	106	57
Mt. Zion (Lincoln)	136	50
Gulfport, Calvary	50	34
Macedonia (Lincoln)	209	
Concord (Choctaw)	95	80
Darling	103	55
Union, First	355	114
Laurel, Highland	256	117
Meridian, Oakland Heights	283	133
Longview (Oktibbeha)	93	58
Meridian, Poplar Springs Drive	438	151
Kosciusko, First	736	236
Main School	719	

Maple Mission	17	
Laurel, Hillcrest	101	82
Greenwood, Calvary	486	212
Fair River (Lincoln)	116	69
Newton, First	486	236
Midway (Lauderdale)	153	73
Columbus, First	1002	349
Columbus, East End	298	122
Hardy (Grenada)	105	76
Hernando, First	151	64
Gulfport, First	1028	335
New Sight (Lincoln)	122	83
New Prospect		
(Lincoln)	152	80
Hattiesburg, 38th Ave.	199	109
Hattiesburg, First	676	223
New Albany First	704	192
Main	609	154
North Side Mission	95	38
Cleveland, First	443	123
Main School	390	
Chinese Mission	53	
Nola	51	45
Macedonia (Lincoln)	239	116
Hurricane Creek		
(Marion)	115	97
Vicksburg, First	579	201
Red Banks (Marshall)	60	52
Gulfport, Gene Memorial	195	63
Lucedale	353	172
Soso First	148	94
Wayside	1955	57
East Tupelo	319	224
Meridian, Oakland Heights	275	125
Corinth, Tate Street	308	75
Charleston, First	372	152
Meridian, Southside	424	162
Calhoun City, First	376	160
Olive Branch	128	61
New Prospect		
(DeSoto)	133	101
West Point, Calvary	256	171
New Prospect		
(Lincoln)	145	121

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I CAN TELL GOD THINGS,

by Robbie Trent, illustrated by Pelagie Doane (Broadman Press, Nashville, Tennessee, \$1.50) is unique in form and content. Each of its 31 devotional readings suggests an experience in a child's development. Each is followed by familiar Bible verses and a brief prayer. Both experiences and prayers are expressed in words a child might use. The book helps guide the child in telling God about his every-day experiences and in appreciating the beauty of the Bible as an interpreter of everyday experiences, even of a "small person." "The gay, two-color illustrations are both strong and tender, with

"Servicemen's Haven" is the theme of an article in the January issue of the Home Missions magazine. The author is Mrs. E. D. Estes, secretary and church hostess at First Church, Biloxi. It is an excellent write-up of the recreation work of the church.

Hinds Churches Observe Baptist Hospital Day

A large number of Protestant churches of Hinds county observed "Hospital Sunday" on January 9, in support of the Mississippi Baptist Hospital Building Fund Campaign for \$1,000,000.

Many pastors answered a request to devote their sermons to "The Good Samaritan" or similar themes, and to include in their services prayers for the current campaign, and announcements from the pulpit or in bulletins.

A total of \$1,000,000 is being sought in gifts for completing new construction and modernizing old at the hospital. Of this amount, \$500,000 is asked in Jackson and Hinds county, and a like amount in state-wide Baptist churches.

Letters asking support of the "Hospital Day" observance were written to Protestant clergymen of Hinds county by Dr. W. Doug-

las Hudgins, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Jackson. The Rev. Fred Tarpley, pastor of Ridgecrest Baptist Church, Jackson, and moderator, Hinds County Baptist Association, wrote Hinds Baptist pastors, urging observance of the special day.

In his letter Dr. Hudgins represented also the requests of four other Protestant leaders. They are: Bishop Marvin A. Franklin, of the Methodist Church of Mississippi; Bishop Duncan M. Gray, of the Episcopal Diocese of Mississippi, and the Rev. Wade Koons, pastor of Trinity Lutheran church, Jackson, and Dr. John Reed Miller, pastor, First Presbyterian church, here, president and vice-president, respectively, of the Jackson Ministerial Association.

The general solicitations phase of the Jackson-Hinds county campaign for hospital funds is scheduled January 13-21.

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Church — Denomination Might Be Featured

"Church and Denomination Night" will be one of the Stewardship highlights of Mississippi and Southern Baptists for 1955, it has been revealed by Dr. Chester L. Quarles, state executive secretary - treasurer, and Rev. Joe Abrams, director of promotion.

Plans for Church and Denomination Night call for a one-night stewardship conference in every church in the Convention during September and October.

The purpose of the conference will be to reach the members of the church with the Bible message on stewardship, enlist every member to tithe, enlist the church to adopt a budget, lead the church to put its Co-operative Program contributions on a percentage basis and increase the percentage each year.

Church and Denomination Night will be held in addition to Christian Stewardship Week, Oct. 30-Nov. 6, which has come to be a regular and traditional observance each year.

A suggested program for the night would be:

Song and praise service, featuring hymns by Baptist authors; brief message on highlights of the history of the church; brief history of the Baptist denomination and the Southern Baptist Convention; brief message on Bible stewardship and the Co-operative Program; and the showing of a newly-prepared film or film-strip on the Co-operative Program.

Specially prepared materials could be distributed to all those present.

Organization and preparation for Church and Denomination Night is already underway and every member and every church is urged to cooperate in this great undertaking.

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Court Ok's Right Of Boy To Choose Religion

ALBANY, N. Y.—(RNS)—In a 5 to 2 decision, the New York Court of Appeals upheld the right of a 12-year-old child to choose his own religion despite a premarital pact by his now-separated parents.

By its ruling the State's highest court affirmed a decision by the Appellate Division of the New York State Supreme Court last February, permitting the youth to follow the religion of his mother.

The legal fight centered around Malcolm Jr., now 14, son of Malcolm Martin of Brooklyn, N. Y., a Roman Catholic, and his wife, Clara, a Christian Scientist.

Mr. Martin carried the case to the New York Court of Appeals after the Appellate Division upheld a decision by Brooklyn Supreme Court official referee

Of the Scriptures

By Dr. R. Lofton Hudson

Quentin Reynolds, a famous newspaper reporter, recently said on a national radio network that if he were a dictator the first thing he would do would be to burn the Bible.

Why has the Bible had such a tremendous influence on men? It has inspired because it is inspired. At least, that is what Baptists believe, and we have believed it for a long time. It looks as if we intend to believe the same great truth to the end of time.

We believe that the whole Book is inspired. We do not go through with a pen knife cutting out passages which give us trouble. Why give up some thing good until we can find something better? Most of the men who wrote it claimed to have special guidance from God. Of course, Joseph Smith and Mohammed claimed the same. But look at the end result.

When men and women accept the Bible as God's Word, and allow it to speak to their hearts, they are changed. They overcome sin, fear, tyranny, self-sufficiency, and selfishness in various forms. It does something for men. It brings them to know God.

Put it up against any other book on earth. It tells us where we came from, why we are here, where we are going, and how to get there. It is not a book on philosophy, but has the most profound view of persons and things ever penned. It is not a "blue sky" book on how to attain this or that, yet no book tells men so much about how to manage their lives. It is not a book on morals but it does more than give rules; it gives life.

R. Lofton Hudson is pastor of the Wornall Road Baptist Church, Kansas City, Mo.

Meier Steinbrink.

The referee held then that the boy could attend Christian Science Sunday School and public school if he so desired although Mrs. Martin, prior to her marriage in a Catholic Church in 1938, had agreed that any children of the union would be raised as Catholics.

Judge Steinbrink's ruling followed testimony by the youth that he preferred public schools to Catholic schools and that he would become a Christian Scientist if his mother wished.

The Court of Appeals majority decision said there was ample evidence to support Judge Steinbrink's findings that Malcolm Jr. was old enough to testify intelligently. They added that the referee's ruling was in the boy's best interest and welfare.

Sparks & Splinters

Mississippians will be interested in the approaching marriage of Dr. Earl B. Eddington, pastor of First Church, St. Petersburg, Fla., and Miss Mary Elizabeth Ainsworth, whose parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Ainsworth, live at Moss Point. Miss Ainsworth is a graduate of Mississippi Woman's College. She also has a Master's Degree in Religious Education from the WMU Training School in Louisville, Kentucky. For the past six years she has been Baptist Student Director at Florida State University, Tallahassee, Fla. The wedding will take place at 4 o'clock, Jan. 22, at First Church, Tallahassee.

Chaplain Herbert L. Redd is to complete his term of service as chaplain in the army about February 1. Being a native of Mississippi, he would like to come back to Mississippi. Mississippians should make every effort to get their own back to Mississippi. Chaplain Redd is 36 years of age, a graduate of Mississippi College and the New Orleans Seminary. He served churches in Alabama and Louisiana before entering the chaplaincy in 1952. His wife is also a graduate of the Seminary with an MRE degree. His present address is 2143 Bruce Avenue, Columbus, Ga. He is available to supply at any time. His phone number is Ft. Benning, Ga., 6-1132.

J. E. Easley and Louis Goodman, Jr. were ordained as deacons in the Antioch Church, Lowndes County on December 19. Rev. L. B. Wages of Columbus preached the ordination sermon and Rev. C. S. Mullins, pastor, gave the charge. Other active deacons of the church also participated.

The church is the tie that binds pastor, people and Christ together. United they stand as one family band, for in unity there is strength forever.

Phillip T. Card, Shawnee, Okla., has been elected as an associate in the Religious Education Department of the Baptist General Convention of Arizona.

He will live in Denver, Colo., and will work with the Sunday school, Training Union, and Baptist Student Union program in five co-operating states affiliated with the Arizona convention.

... As we review 1954, we note the passing of several denomination leaders, and several important changes in our denominational leadership. The following were claimed by death:

W. O. Carver, Everett Gill, Jr., Walter R. Alexander, and R. C. Campbell. Important changes in leadership personnel included: J. Winston Crawley, secretary for the Orient for the Foreign Missions Board; Lucius Polhill, executive-secretary, Baptist General Association of Virginia; Edward H. Hurt, Jr., Convention-wide Royal Ambassador secretary; and the reorganization of the Baptist Sunday School Board, including major changes in organizational structure and personnel.

Doctrinally Speaking: What Baptists Believe 'bout Baptism

By W. Barry Garrett

Editor, Arizona Baptist Beacon

What price Korea! Thousands of men were killed. Other thousands were wounded and mutilated. Many are still asking, "For what purpose?"

The principles and honor of free men were at stake. How long will their sufferings stem the tide of Communism? Has their sacrifice liberated the race from slavery?

These questions must go unanswered for the moment. But there was suffering and a sacrifice on Calvary centuries ago that set men free. Three days later the crucified Lord rose from the dead and sealed forever the redemption of those who believe in him.

It is tragic that human memory is so short that those who suffer most for the welfare of mankind are soon forgotten. Our Lord erected a safeguard against possible lapse of memory on the part of his disciples. He left two ordinances in his church to perpetuate the central message of Christianity. They are baptism and the Lord's Supper.

Baptism, according to the

scripture, is a picture of death, burial, and resurrection. "We are buried with him in baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life." (Rom. 6:4).

In baptism we symbolize the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus for the sins of the world. We also see a picture of the death of a sinner to sin, his putting away the old life, and his rising to live a resurrected life. There is also a prediction of the future resurrection of the believer.

Baptists insist on the New Testament teaching on baptism. Only believers are proper subjects. Jesus commanded us to baptize disciples (Matt. 28:19). We practice only believer's baptism.

Baptism is by immersion in water. "Immersion" is the only possible translation of the Greek word "baptizo." No other form pictures death, burial, and resurrection.

As the commission to go into all the world and make disciples was given to the church, so also was the command to baptize. No organization has been authorized to baptize other than a church of the Lord Jesus Christ.

It is tragic that our national heroes are so soon forgotten. It would be more tragic if the significance of the death and resurrection of our Lord were forgotten. The world will remember as long as baptism is properly observed.

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Shown above are Rev. and Mrs. A. C. Furr of Columbus, who were honored with a reception celebrating their golden wedding anniversary, held in the First Church, Columbus. The honored couple received with their children, and an appropriate program was rendered with many participants being members of the family, including grandsons, granddaughters, nieces and nephews.

Friends of Rev. and Mrs. Cecil Roberson, Missionaries to Nigeria, will regret to learn that he has been ill for the past two months and at the present time is a patient at the Baptist Mission Hospital in Ogbomoso, Nigeria. Recent word indicates that he is recuperating now. Their son, Conrad, age 12, has also been ill but has recuperated. The Robersons may be addressed at Baptist Mission, Kabba, Nigeria, West Africa.